

TOWN of BELGRADE  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes

October 20, 2021

Committee Members Present: Patrick Donahue, Mary Vogel, George Seel, Michael Donohue, Kathi Wall (Zoom)

Others Present:

Absent:

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**Goal:** Discuss surface-water quality recommendations found throughout the Comprehensive Plan.

Add column for who is responsible for the item. We need to add the Lakes Committee to this discussion.

What do we want to do with the list? Is this the right list? This group agrees this is a good list. We will discuss in more detail based on the 15 survey recommendations. What overlap does this committee have with other committees? We will keep this in mind and coordinate with the Land Association and Land Trust.

Before 2014

There had been a recommendation to conservation commission. The Mooring Committee was part of it. It was difficult to get support. It made sense to turn into a lake committee. As broad as Lakes Committee wants to cast its net is fine. This Lakes Committee is part of conservation fin the area. Wed Oct 27. Proposing a meeting Lakes committee, this committee, and Planning Board, Great Pond, and Salmon look at known sources for phosphorus. DEP will be included. We will figure out which committee does what. This date does not work. Date will be moved until next month.

How do we to parse survey recommendations for the current implementation status without knowing who is responsible. Add a column of who is responsible like Road Commissioner or Planning Board, etc.

The Select Board decided not to include areas within 75ft of perennial streams and vegetation buffers within 75ft of perennial streams. Recommendation No. 6-3 states storm water and phosphorus is coming from these locations. Select Board did not want to include at this time. The plan calls for us to be more restrictive and we are not in compliance with the comprehensive plan. We could add to next year's plan.

Recommendation No. 7 – 2 - The camp roads are out of the towns jurisdiction as they are private. We are covering what the town have control over. Who has control over the camp roads if there is a violation of state water quality? DEP would get involved. DEP would have them do the remedial work.

The road association would come in under private initiatives Recommendation No. 7-5. This item assigns to the Town Manager, Select Board, and or Lakes Committee.

Recommendation No. 8 refers to (6-3) and 9 (12- 7) Farming and Forestry - The plan calls for us to be more restrictive and we are not in compliance with the comprehensive plan. We could put in next year's plan. Select Board decided not to include Recommendation 8 and 9.

Recommendation No. 2 Train town road crew is a DEP's job. All training is performed by DEP. Jason Stevens has been thru the DEP training. There are annual trainings with DOT as well. Usually we can see all the classes coming up in the future. Road Commissioner is now an employee. George will add column with who has been charged with implementing the recommendation then we can plot a plan.

We would like to see the document with the column before we go to the next step.

Recommendation No. 7 – Engage local officials –we need to get clear as to who does what, so they are not stepping on each other feet. It is assigned to Planning Board and the Select Board. There should be discussions with town planning boards and higher-level policy discussions with a water shed district. Watershed district take several years to get everything moving. We have not talked with Cobbossee watershed committee. Saco river commissions is shoreline zoning over multiple towns. Multi-town is difficult at best. Mt Vernon has 30-mile watershed commission. We do not want to go to the lowest denominator. We should start with best management practice and go from there.

George will also complete the column Implementation Status of last review in the tracking spreadsheet. We will then recirculate spreadsheet.

Pat will move the October 27 meeting to November. There are so many issues around water quality, if you do not focus the conversation on an agenda it will wander. We will keep focused on the water quality and land use.

Tasks:

- Send agenda items to George.
- Next meeting will be November 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm – 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Donohue