

## TOWN OF ROCKLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETING #3

Attendees: Robert Eggleton  
Peter Manning  
Russell Budd  
Lisa Lyons  
Peggy Johansen  
Art Riegal  
Harvey Susswein  
Manny Zangers  
Joann Ryder  
Sheila Shultz  
Chris Andreola  
Chris Tcimpidis

The third Comprehensive Plan Meeting for Town of Rockland met at the Town Hall on Wednesday, August 31, 2016 at 6pm, led by Robert Eggleton, Town Supervisor.

Supervisor Eggleton opened the meeting with presentation of the minutes from the July 27<sup>th</sup> meeting. Handouts were available on Draft Topic List and Draft List of Tables & Maps.

Russell Budd stated that the members will be going through as much of the existing master plan during this meeting as possible. They will go over each section with discussion as what to keep in the new plan, what to revise and what to eliminate. This may be words or complete paragraphs.

### Section 1.0 - Introduction

Chris Andreola stated that our area is characterized by forestry, bluestone mining as well as logging as economic opportunities and that Ag/Marketing is currently more realistic to our community. Discussion regarding the second home buyers was worded as “anti-growth and questioned “smart-growth” as a term still used today. Russell Budd said it is still used and is used for grants. Paragraphs were reviewed with decisions to update, discard or rewrite.

### Section 2.0 - Background Studies

Discussion as to rewriting the history section referring to the Town Historian as former historian with corresponding dates. County website will be listed for further research.

Geology paragraphs reviewed and agreed not to change. Agriculture and Natural Resources are presently under one title but will be split up. The following pages have numerous tables and charts which will be kept.

### Section 3.0 - Goals and Objectives

Many of the detailed paragraphs in section 3 will be broken down into completely new sections on the new master plan with discussion as to their validity. Storm water run off was noted that it will be in the new Zoning. Discussion involving reducing flood plain density development, how to relocate people before a big flood event gave way to the statement “if you remove all flood plain life - you have no town”! Among the stream management discussion was to encourage and

educate private land owners about proper stream management. Road features were discussed and taking inventory of the important features which will go into a transportation section that will list specific standards for new roads if any that occur. It was also stated that this section will be discussed in more detail at a later date. Ground water quality, storm water and junk yards all were part of discussion and will also be reviewed more closely at a later time with a new section being added specifically for them.

The meeting ended with review of historical places and how to protect the town's valuable scenery through incentives.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.