

HLLT Meeting February 19, 2019 Minutes

Falmouth Town Hall Council Chambers

3:00-5:00pm

Attendance: Nathan Poore, Kimberly Darling, Gretchen Anderson, Heather Huntt, Nancy Lightbody, Kim White, Chantal Scott, Donna Chapman, Don Gerrish, Jeff Dennis, Rosie Hartzler—On the phone: Dennis Brown and John MacKinnon

The purpose of the meeting was to outline where we are and where we are going as a committee. This will facilitate the Falmouth and Windham budget processes as the two towns develop their budgets for the coming year(s).

The group discussed what has worked well over the last year and what improvements could be made moving forward. There was discussion on how some committees will remain active in perpetuity, while others, like Ordinance Committee, will slow down as progress is made through the respective Town governments to address shortcomings and omissions in current ordinance language.

Related to the above, there were discussions on the Watershed Management Plan, which is expected to be complete by end of 2019, approved by DEP and 319 applications the spring of 2020, funding would be available likely 2021, and private roads. On private roads, Falmouth will obtain a legal opinion on what can and cannot be done with public money. The need for some organization within the road associations was also discussed. Kim White asked if Town attorneys could be used to help with some legal language in the formation of road associations. This would benefit the towns, the lake and the road associations.

Funding, budgeting and priorities discussion—priorities:

1. Water quality testing \$20,000
2. Mitigation for the “worst of the worst” sites from the Watershed Survey \$20,000
3. Resolving ordinance issues
4. Publicity \$3,000
5. Finish Management Plan

A follow-up meeting was recommended to wrap up the Strategic Plan and the budget recommendations soon to align with both town budget processes.

A letter from Tom Peterson to the HLLT was read relative to alewife harvesting.

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