Master Plan 2023 Open Space and Recreation, and Natural, Cultural, and Historic Resources Subcommittee Meeting Minutes

December 12, 2023, 7:03 PM

Room 205

355 East Central Street

This meeting was available to be attended in person by all citizens. The meeting was also live-streamed by Franklin TV and shown on Comcast Channel 11 and Verizon Channel 29. Recordings have been made available on Franklin TV's "Franklin Town Hall TV" YouTube channel. Additionally, citizens were able to participate remotely via phone and Zoom.

1. Introductions -

Committee Members in Attendance: Chair Meghann Hagen, Member Rick Power Committee Members Absent: Member Glenn Jones Others in Attendance via Zoom: Member Melanie Hamblen Meeting called to order by Chair at 7:06 PM

2. Review of 2013 Natural, Cultural, and Historic Resources Goals & Objectives

The Chair opened the meeting asking if members had any additional comments on the discussion concerning The Inventory and Assessment report. Member Hamblen commented that information may be dated and that more recent information may be available elsewhere. Member Rick Powers questioned water resource data and the perception that Franklin doesn't have enough water for future growth. The Chair suggested additional wording in the report around what the actual water conservation requirements are and why

3. Public Hearing Dates

The Chair discussed possible dates and locations for two public hearings in February and March. Member Hamblen suggested the library as a location to hold a hearing and get information from residents concerning arts and culture. Member Hamblen asked what kind of event could be held which would attract residents on open space issues. February 10, 2024 was suggested as a date for potential Arts and Culture hearing and February 19, 2024 was suggested as a potential date for an Open Space event. The Chair will post the meeting and invite other groups to attend. Member Hamblen suggested that all subcommittee members attend.

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Master Plan Subcommittee next meeting - To be determined Additional Comments: None Adjourn Meeting -*Chair motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Member Hamblen. Vote 3-0, meeting adjourned at 7:36 PM*