

Minutes - Acton 2020 Committee Meeting
August 3, 2011
7 pm - 10:30 pm
Senior Center

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Attendees:

- Members: Margaret Woolley Busse, Sahana Purohit, , Jim Snyder-Grant, Celia Kent, Charles Mercier, Paulina Knibbe (assoc)
- Staff: Kristin Alexander
- Observer: John Sonner (BoS)

Chair Margaret Busse called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Agenda item I. Motion to approve the minutes (as amended) for 7/27. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item II . Review blog comments

Municipal Quarterly. We would like to take advantage of the opportunity to insert something. We will decide the content at our next meeting.

Request from the public to include the Acton Nursing Service as one of the town services that should continue to be supported moving forward.

Agenda Item III. Review Fall Meetings

a) Date: Sept 28th. Affordable Housing Meeting

Confirmation from Jim Stockard that he can attend. We also have representatives from ACHC, Acton Housing Authority.

****Action Item: Paulina to ask Jamie Eldridge if he can attend.**

b) Date: Sept 14th. Kelley's Corner. Meet with landowners to discuss

c) 3 questions for each 2020 recommended strategy:

- 1) What precedents (if any) are there from other towns using this strategy?
- 2) What is the feasibility / effectiveness / consequences of this strategy ?
- 3) What is the cost of this strategy ?

d) organize our meetings moving forward

	Topic	Committee Member	Committees / Groups to invite
August 31 st	Review Goals IV, V, VI and VII	IV (Paulina) V (Charlie) VI (Sahana) VII (Margaret)	n/a
Thursday, Sept 8 th	Reserve date to plan for fall Sept / Oct meetings	n/a	n/a
Sept 14 th	Meet with Kelley's Corner property owners	n/a	Kelley's Corner property owners
Sept 21 st	Goal II. Ensure Environmental Sustainability	Jim Snyder-Grant, Sandeep Verma	GAB, WRAC, Water District, Green Acton
	Goal VII. Financial Wellbeing	Margaret Woolley Busse	EDC, FinCom, BoS, School Committee, Planning Board
Sept 28 th	Goal V: Support Inclusion and Diversity	Charlie Mercier	United Way, Public Safety Net Committee, CoD, Town Social Worker
	Affordable housing strategies		ACHC, Acton Housing, Jim Stockard, Jamie Eldridge
Oct 5 th	Reserve this date for debriefing and planning for Nov. 9 th	n/a	n/a
Oct 12 th	Goal III. Improve Connections	Bill Marathias	Sidewalk Committee, TAC, SATSAC, Tech Committee, IT Dept
	Goal IV. More Opportunities for Community Gathering and Recreation	Paulina Knibbe	COA, Cultural Council, Senior Center Expansion Committee, Rec
	5.1. Support all ages	Charlie Mercier	
	5.3 Embrace cultural diversity	Charlie Mercier	Chinese / Indian / Brazilian Community
Oct 26 th	Goal I. Preserve and Enhance Town Character	Celia Kent	HDC, HC, Open Space, CPC, DRB, Planning Board
	Goal VI: Preserve and Enhance Town Owned Assets	Sahana Purohit	Public Safety Facilities (Pam Harting Barrett), School Committees, Municipal Properties, Morrison Farm Committee, Library Trustees (AMLF and West Acton), GAB ?

*****Action Item – Everyone. Contact the appropriate committees / groups for your goals. Invite them to attend the appropriate meeting and make arrangements to get their materials to them when it is ready. Ideally – ask them to discuss it at one of their meetings and attend, if possible. (These invitations should be tendered before August 31st).***

e) Questions to ask experts at meetings. Postponed until next meeting

Agenda Item IV. Assess ideas for strategies

- a) Goal I. Preserve (and Enhance) Town Character.

****Action Item: Celia will re-work using Jim Purdy's suggested approach. Strategies will be consolidated, text will reflect the submitted comments, the committee discussion and the recommended pragmatic approach.**

Due Date: August 10th - Send to Committee for review.

Review comments due back to Celia by August 31st.

- b) Goal IV. Community Gathering and Recreation. Postponed until next meeting.

Next Meeting: August 31. We will do initial review of strategies for Goals IV, V, VI, and VII.

****Action Item: People responsible for each goal should re-work the text to reflect Jim Purdy's recommended approach. Tighten up text, consolidate duplicates, etc.**

Due Date: August 24th – send modified text to committee for review

