

Growth Planning Committee
Minutes
2/7/2023

Attendees: Dan Saunders, Paul Hogan, Jim McMann, Janet Powell, Werner Gilliam, Michelle Radley

Absentees: Liz Johnson

Dan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The minutes of 1/23/23 were approved as written.

Werner provided updates on the following:

1. the **Comp Plan's status** remains “pending” with the State Offices.
2. the final draft of the template that will be distributed to all Departments, Committees and Boards outlining their respective CP compliance responsibilities. The language was approved by everyone.
3. **Growth Zone Management**/ Every two to three years, it is required that we review the data to ensure that the growth permits are in line with capital expenditure figures. The review included :
 - a table showing by zone, the number of growth permits issued from 12/31/12-12/3122
 - The growth permit forecast allowable for 2023 based on the formula calculations (21.29024) and the minimum allowable per ordinance (40)
 - A growth permit makeup by zone from 2013-2022
 - Growth Areas as a percent of total town area (Growth-21%,Transitional-27%, Rural,52%

All agreed that the ten year review of KPT’s Growth Permits vis a vis the state requirements was clear, comprehensive and in keeping with our current Land Use Ordinances.

In light of March being the month for next year’s budget proposals, the committee also unanimously agreed to `making no changes to our current sewer system.

Werner informed us that the town is creating a **Climate Action Plan** through involvement in the **Southern Maine Planning and Development Commission** along with Kennebunk, Biddeford and Kittery. Through common engagement, pooling input and resources and developing goals for each sector of the CAP, this group’s efforts will help create a Climate Action Plan that will

become our roadmap for dealing with climate change. Information is already up on the town's website and future public engagement is likely. Thanks, Werner.

With no additional business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The next GPC meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 7** @6:00 p.m. at the Village Fire Station.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Powell