

Master Plan Meeting, 03-03-2008, Hilton Senior Center 5:30pm-8pm

Sidewalk Inventory Meeting

Attendees: Larry Cuddire, Jerry Klima, Bobbi Klima, Fred Knowles, Berenice McLaughlin, Robert Straubel, Jackie Haggerty, John Haggerty, Bev Gulazian, David Holscher, Lisa Pearson, Leah Hill

Reviewed the map from MVPC: location of existing sidewalks, location of various priorities to build new sidewalks, and locations of various priorities to rehab existing sidewalks.

Suggested that there should be a sidewalk from Collins St to Pike St to Main St., as the railtrail is getting funded to Seabrook, NH

On the map, Ferry Rd. shows a gap in future sidewalks, there should be a sidewalk connecting to Second St. Map incorrect as there are sidewalks further down Ferry Rd until almost Sweet Appletree Lane

Kids walk to the movie theaters on Rt. 110 and lots of other walkers to the businesses on 110, need better/more sidewalks. Also need sidewalks on Rabbit Rd, sidewalks are in the approved Vaughn subdivision, connect sidewalks on Rabbit Rd on that side of the road.

Mudnock Rd-depicts sidewalks incorrectly, sidewalks do go from School St to Niko Way

Bridge Rd-connect Bridge Rd businesses to railtrail. Show railtrail on this map-existing, proposed.

Schools-Do people walk to school? Railtrail behind school, linkage.

Need sidewalks on Old County Road/Michal's Way as people use Old County as a cut through during high traffic season (summer) on Beach Rd

State Reservation-should have a bikeway/sidewalk. Map should show further connection from Reservation to Atlantic Ave.

Bring this map to Town Meeting.

Master Plan Meeting

Attendees: Robert Straubel, Larry Cuddire, David Holscher, Isa Cann, Berenice McLaughlin, Lou Masiello, John Haggerty, Jackie Haggerty, Bobbi Klima, Jerri Klima, Robert Campbell, Elisa Campbell, Sally Laffely, Bev Gulazian, Chuck Takesian, Barbara Souther, Lisa Pearson, Leah Hill, Sue Brown, Juliette Walker, Susan St. Pierre

There are a series of upcoming meetings, schedule has been submitted.

The plan will be presented to the Planning Board in April, will be presented to the Town at the Fall Town Meeting.

Goal setting of the Master Plan & Vision Statement. A broad vision of the direction of the community.

A Shared Vision for Salisbury...

Statement includes a description and comment of the Community, Neighborhoods, Town Center, Economic Development, Housing, Natural & Cultural Resources, Open Space & Recreation, Services, and Sustainable Future.

The vision statement can be in any form, listed, paragraph.

The statements should include comments about the fishing and wildlife (bird watching) maritime history/culture.

Neighborhoods comment - Change from beach Front Condominiums to Beach Center Homes (or some similar description. May use verbiage such as "Beach Community".

In terms of vision, we are looking for both commercial and residential attractions at the Beach Center. Also should note that the beach serves all people of the Town as well as people from other areas of the state(s).

We should also note the volume of camping resources (discuss during open space & recreation).

Salisbury recognizes "Green" elements may be a positive image in "selling" the community to the public perception.

What is the vision for Town run recreation facilities? Historically the Town has not managed these. The rail trail is an addition to this aspect, what are other opportunities?

Open Space & Recreation Goals

1. Protect important open spaces and natural areas. (This one got one blue dot.)
2. Meet the growing recreational needs of the residents with well maintained, expanded and/or new facilities and programs. (This one got the balance of the blue dots.)
3. This goal should state that there are activities for people of all ages.
4. Trails are safe to walk. The law requires them to be handicapped accessible, but are the trails actually handicapped accessible? Provisions are being taken on the trail along route 1, the trail along route 110 is considered to be handicapped accessible since it is all on the street level, however it is not a paved surface.

Natural & Cultural Resources Goals

1. Protect important scenic areas and the rural character of the community. (This one got one blue dot.)
2. Protect and document important cultural resources within the community. (This one got no blue dots.)
3. Celebrate and capitalize on the Town's unique natural resources including the beach marshes, waterways, and farmland. (This one got the balance of the blue dots.)

There is limited access to the waterfronts for recreational activities (such as kayaking).

Open Space & Recreation Objectives

1. A current Open Space & Recreation Plan
2. An Open Space system that provides the Town with ample opportunities for a variety of recreational and leisure pursuits
3. Preserved landscapes that contribute to the Town's character.
4. Protected and enhanced landscapes that contribute to the ecological health of the Town's resources.
5. Policies that ensure resource protection. (Consider to build in requirements non-chemical pesticides & fertilizers abutting waterways as future visions.)
6. Enhanced opportunities for recreation for all residents.
7. Recreational areas and facilities that are safe, code compliant, and well maintained.
8. Recreational facilities that respond to resident's needs.
9. Maximized recreational opportunities of the beach.
10. Increased access to the Town's marshes, waterways, and beaches.

Natural & Cultural Resources Objectives

1. Preserved farming landscapes
2. Preserved coastal resources
3. Enhanced visual access to character defining resources
4. Heighten awareness of the town's cultural resources.
5. Protect distinctive neighborhoods and districts.
6. Preserve the town's cemeteries.
7. Restored and enhanced Salisbury Beach
8. Recognition of the town's farming history and capacity
9. Visual and actual access to the marshes and waterways

Ways to preserve cultural resources include: demolition delays and tax incentives for historic preservation.

Land Use Goals

1. Restore and enhance Salisbury Square's role as the social and civic center of the community.
2. Concentrate and foster new growth of nonresidential uses in strategic locations in the town.
3. Support neighborhoods with appropriate infrastructure, compatible abutting uses, public open space and a diversity of housing options.
4. Transform the town's major transportation corridors by enhancing their appearance and by encouraging different identities and uses as appropriate.
5. Maintain and protect the character of Rings Island as a principal neighborhood defining Salisbury's marine heritage.
6. Improve design of commercial areas throughout the town with quality of site and building design in a manner appropriate to the historic (or desired) character of Salisbury.

Land Use Objectives

1. A positive image for Salisbury commercial areas
2. High quality businesses to build and grow in Salisbury
3. Enhanced traffic circulation throughout the square
4. Improved pedestrian and bicycle access to and within the Square
5. Redevelopment of underutilized buildings and sites
6. Enhanced public facilities and services to meet the need of a revised Salisbury Square
7. A diversity of housing within the Square
8. A balance of mixed uses that provide adequate services and promotes activity through the day and evening
9. Appropriate growth within the historical framework of the neighborhood
10. Water dependent uses
11. Enhanced public access to the river and waterways
12. Corridors that are distinctive from each other
13. Auto oriented businesses clustered together and away from residential neighborhoods
14. Districts within corridors that are walkable
15. Mixed use development where appropriate
16. Economic development in areas well served by transportation, utilities, and supporting services
17. Water dependent uses along the beach and Merrimack River
18. Diversity of neighborhoods that offer a high quality of life to all residents
19. Integrated communities with a variety of housing options and compatible services

Anticipate overlap with other master plan sections.

What is appropriate zoning for current and desired land use development?

Regulating areas around the square, creating transition areas. Regulations can also include shared parking.

Next meeting is **Monday, March 17 at 6pm** in the Hilton Senior Center. Topic of discussion is to review

and approve/edit the draft Vision statement. Present and discuss recommended goals and strategies for Economic Development and Housing.

Meeting adjourned at 8pm.

Minutes Approved By:_____ **Date:**_____