Franklin/Somerset Community Planning Process for Townships & Plantations Franklin County Subcommittee

-Tuesday June 23, 2015-Kingfield Town Office

Minutes

Attending:

Committee members: Darryl Brown, Kirsten Burbank, Thom Dodd, Claire Polfus, Doug Marble, Clyde Barker, Charlie Woodworth and James Taylor. [Note: Dan Simonds submitted his notice of resignation from the committee.]

Staff: John Maloney, AVCOG; Hugh Coxe, LUPC; Chris Huck, KVCOG.

Public: Tom DuBois, Dick Matthews, Bill Gilmore, Barry Matulaitis

- 1. Kirsten opened the meeting asking committee members and the public to introduce themselves.
- 2. John gave a brief overview of the purposes of the planning effort, what has been done to date and what is expected in the future.
- 3. Hugh gave a brief explanation of the legislative history of the community guided planning and zoning process and what the LUPC hopes will be the results of the process.
- Kirsten led a discussion on what is needed including zoning changes to promote the commercial outdoor recreation opportunity economy in the Franklin County area. Items suggested and/or discussed included: Accommodations are needed:

Information centers to provide information to tourist;

Land needed for motels/hotels along Route 4;

Zoning provisions should not take economic benefits away from hub communities;

Need to considered opportunities of the next generation of recreationalists;

Opportunities for hiker hostel(s) needed;

Demand for bicycle route on Route 27/Shoulders no longer provide for safe cycling;

The current area of focus needs to be expanded;

Ned to consider rezoning for other uses;

Major travel corridors need zoning considerations;

A Rangeley type plan is not need;

Perspective type zoning needed;

To attract recreationalist; Access to services is needed (fuel near trails) Entertainment Community events

Opportunities needed for second home development (waterfront/scenic areas);

People moving to UT's/lower taxes;

There is interdependence between regions and hubs;

Update/create trail maps;

Purchase land that trails are located on.

AT uses need more services/food drops;

Family campgrounds still needed;

Internet services needed; and recreation demand is changing.

5. The committee agreed to meet with the Somerset committee on July 28 in Kingfield.

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