



Camden Select Board
August 13, 2013
Washington Street Conference Room
6:30 p.m.

I. Workshop Agenda

Goals Discussion with the following Committees:

6:30 p.m. Cemetery Association

6:45 p.m. Conservation Committee

7:00 p.m. Harbor Committee

7:15 p.m. Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee

7:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Committee

Please note: Times are approximate. It is expected that some discussions will involve more than one committee at a time since several goals require committees to collaborate with each other

II. Special Meeting (*Executive Session*)

There will be a special Select Board meeting immediately following the workshop to discuss real estate pursuant to Title 1 MRSA §405.6.C

Adjourn

Committee Goals 2013-2014 (for discussion)

1. Camden-Rockport Pathways Committee

- Review and update Bicycle and Pathways Master Plan to acknowledge the recommendations that have been implemented or which are scheduled to be implemented (examples: Washington St. sidewalk from Mathew John St. to Shirt Tail Point Park; Rte 1 sidewalk from Quarry Hill to Leonard's in Rockport).
- Bring forward recommendations for new sidewalks/pathways that are priorities for construction during the next 3 to 5 years (such as Rawson Ave., extending the sidewalk from Pearl St. to John St. and continuing to Elm St., etc). *Work will need to be coordinated with CEDAC and the Planning Board.*
- Present progress reports to the Select Board in November and May

2. Cemetery Association

- Market periodically the availability of cemetery plots
- Contact funeral homes to make them aware of the availability and pricing of plots
- Explore whether the cemetery should include a columbarium (a place for the storage of cremation urns)
- Explore whether the Cemetery Association should create a pet cemetery
- Continue to work on developing Oak Hill North cemetery
- Review and update cemetery policies
- Clean the monuments
- Present progress reports to the Select Board annually in March

3. Community Economic Development Committee

- Provide leadership to keep the Downtown Master Plan moving forward
- Partner with Opera House Committee regarding Economic Impact analysis, 3rd Floor construction, and Capital Campaign
- Market Camden to attract high tech companies, internet-based companies (Research project: does Camden have the infrastructure in place to support such companies. If not, what needs to be done)
- Explore more opportunities for Eco-tourism
- Develop entrepreneurial incubator space
- Present quarterly progress reports to the Select Board in October, January, April and July

4. Conservation Commission

- Work with the Parks & Recreation Committee and the Planning Board to identify areas in Camden that need to be protected.
- Present updates and progress reports to the Select Board in November and March

5. Harbor Committee

- Work with the Public Landing concept design group to ensure the “water side” is considered as well as the land side.
- Complete Harbor Ordinance Review
- Review all fees and bring recommendations to the Select Board in October 2013
- Review and present recommendations regarding a hoist
- Present updates and progress reports to the Select Board in November and May

6. Historic Resources

- Work on a revised Historic Ordinance.
- Review other committees’ policies which involve historic resources on an on-going basis.
- Present any recommendations that require Select Board action as needed
- Present updates and progress reports to the Select Board each February
- The CHRC should participate in and contribute to the Camden Comprehensive Plan and Downtown Master Plan processes as they evolve.
- The CHRC should develop educational programs that will promote and recognize historic properties and districts in the Town of Camden
- The CHRC should regularly reach out to stewards of Town owned historic properties by drafting a letter offering our support and include a copy of the section of the ordinance which explains the responsibilities of the CHRC.
- The CHRC will maintain a readiness to assist and support those who wish to access HRC documents in the Town archives located in the History Center at the Camden Public Library.

7. Housing Committee

- Research and develop recommendations for expanding options that make use of existing housing. *Note: Work will need to be in concert with Planning staff and Planning Board regarding possible zoning/land use issues*
- Present updates, progress reports, and recommendations to the Select Board each May.

8. Opera House Committee

- Complete the Economic Impact Analysis of the Opera House (in conjunction with Select Board and CEDAC)
- File 501(c) (3) application
- Establish Friends of Camden Opera House (Annual Appeal campaign)
- Finalize plans for 3rd floor renovation
- Establish a separate Capital Campaign Committee. Launch Capital Campaign to complete 3rd floor (in conjunction with Select Board and CEDAC)
- Present quarterly reports to the Select Board in October, January, April and July

9. Parks & Recreation Committee

- The extension of the Washington Street sidewalk to Shirttail Point Park opens many additional ways for the park to be used to meet its full potential. The Parks & Recreation Committee will develop a plan for the best uses of Shirttail Point Park and present preliminary recommendations to the Select Board by December 2013
- Present reports to update the Select Board about the Committee's work in May and November

10. Planning Board

- In conjunction with the Select Board, review and recommend land use, zoning, and traffic design issues for the "gateway area" in the vicinity of Maritime Farms/Hannaford's, John St., and Conway St. to Camden Street.
- In conjunction with the Select Board and CEDAC, provide planning oversight of the Downtown Master Plan to ensure the design and construction work integrates well with the Comprehensive Plan, zoning and land use, and other existing plans.
- Review and update the building permit fees
- Hold periodic joint workshops of the Select Board and the Planning Board to proactively discuss issues that the Town should be planning and prepared for.
- Present updates and progress reports to the Select Board as appropriate.