

**TOWN OF HAMPDEN
PLANNING BOARD COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE**

7:00 P. M. Wednesday, March 28, 2012

MINUTES

The Planning Board Comprehensive Plan Committee met at 7:00 pm on March 28 2012 in the Minicipal Building Council Chambers. Members of the standing Comprehensive Plan Committee in attendance were: Chairman, Mort Syversen, Tom Blaise, Peter Weatherbee and Gene Weldon. Also in attendance were Planning Board members Andrew Nelson, Peter Frazier, Kelley Wiltbank and Town Planner, Robert Osborne and Community and Economic Development Director Dean Bennett.

1. NEW BUSINESS

A. Comprehensive Plan – Referral from Planning Board to Comprehensive Plan Committee of Town of Hampden Draft Comprehensive Plan for review and comment as specified by the Town Charter.

The purpose of the meeting was for the Planning Board to have a free ranging conversation about the pending Council referral of the Draft 2010 Comprehensive Plan to the Board. The Board had been provided copies of the 2010 Plan and had many questions about the Growth Management law, the 2001 Comprehensive Plan and what the Town Charter requires they do to review the plan.

Dean Bennett answered many questions about the Growth Management law and the status of the 2010 Plan and the 2001 Plan.

The Committee took no action but made several suggestions to staff regarding the 2010 Plan and the process by which they would review the plan. They suggested that the Council wait to refer the plan until the State signs off on the work that the Citizens Committee did on the plan. They also suggested that the Council provide some guidance as to what they wish the Planning Board to specifically review given the extensive nature of the document. They also noted some issues with documents that they had been provided with which attempted to identify what had changed from the version prior to the Citizens Committee version of the plan.

2. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Osborne,
Town Planner