

**CASTINE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE
MEETING OF MAY 17, 2006**

Present: Jean Cass, Sheila Corbett, Dan Gregorie, Robin Mass, Liz Parish, Lynn Parsons, Scott Vogell, Lee Wylie

Also: Town Manager Dale Abernethy, Selectman Tim Sampson, Executive Director of the Hancock County Planning Commission (HCPC) Tom Martin

1. Manager Abernethy called the meeting to order at 4:30. Welcoming introductory remarks were made by Mr. Abernethy and Mr. Sampson.
2. Election of Chair: Mr. Wylie nominated Mr. Vogell, seconded by Ms. Corbett. Mr. Vogell was elected by a unanimous vote
3. It was determined that the Committee will meet on the second Wednesday of each month, beginning June 14, at 4:30 pm. (See below)
4. Mr. Parsons volunteered to be recording secretary. There was no opposition.
5. Mr. Martin presented an overview of the Committee's responsibilities, as well as a review of the previous Comprehensive Plan. Topics included
 - a. areas of possible updates
 - b. possible areas of reduction
 - c. emerging issues such as housing, capital investment, aging of the population, relations with the Maine Maritime Academy, the Adams School, the harbor, and zoning
 - d. improvements in mapping technology since 1995
 - e. the need for the Comprehensive Plan to be consistent with state guidelines
 - f. the need for opinion surveys and responses
 - g. services available from the HCPC
6. Discussion followed regarding strategies for keeping the public both informed and involved in the Committee's work, and the problem of realistic census figures.
7. Agenda was set for the meeting on June 14. It will consist of "visioning" for the town's future over the next 10-15 years.
8. The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Meeting dates for 2006: June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13.