

New Durham Planning Board

June 22, 2016

Master Plan – Transportation – Public Forum **Community Room**

Presented by the Planning Board. Members in Attendance: Chairman Scott Drummey, Robert Craycraft, Dot Veisel, Theresa Chabot, and Selectmen Representative David Swenson.

More than 25 attendees to include Department Heads, business owners, and residents who were eager to share their viewpoints on future plans and goals they would like implemented in the forthcoming Master Plan process.

Chairman Drummey began with an overview of the Master Plan. During the meeting a goal concept was developed to “Assure safe, convenient, multi-modal transportation opportunities to access local and regional residential, business, and natural resources.”

Following a brief presentation of current Master Plan status and selected demographics Selectmen Swenson opened the floor to public participation.

The attendees list of Goals included:

- Assurance of available transportation
- Safety for bikes, runners, vehicle visibility
- Preservation of roadways and environment
- Traffic safety at intersections and access management of the Rt. 11 corridor
- Multi-mode transportation systems

Strategies to accomplish these goals included:

- Bike paths
- Sidewalks
- Road maintenance and resilience of current roads
- Data collection
- Walking/jogging paths
- Collaborative effort with surrounding towns and the Powder Mill Snowmobile Club
- Ride share/carpooling

At the conclusion of the Forum, Selectmen Swenson outlined the next steps which included developing strategy statements and tactics based on the input of this forum and having a draft on the Town’s website for public review by the end of July 2016.

Thank you to all attendees for your valuable feedback on this important section of the Master Plan.

- The Master Plan – Natural Resources Forum will be held, August 4, 2016 at 7:00pm at the Community Room.