

May 9, 2024

OVERARCHING STRATEGIC PURPOSE

To preserve and promote strong community in the face of rapid and continuous change around us and to us.

VISION

To be a unique, historic, rural town; always enduring, vibrant, and caring.

MISSION

To provide purposeful, accountable leadership; and to deliver quality, cost-effective town services.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES

PROTECT OUR QUALITY OF LIFE

- Guard and enhance the unique and historic character of the town
- Collaborate with County and State officials to raise awareness of threats to our community and insist on responsible Land Use & Transportation Planning.
- Partner with allied towns and groups to strengthen our voice
- Increase local awareness of challenges and opportunities related to our quality of life and options to address them

PROMOTE COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

- Ensure the public safety of residents and visitors
- Enable and maintain safe and appealing streets and public spaces
- Support local institutions which strengthen community life
- Encourage inclusive civic engagement and participation
- Promote resident-focused special events and services

GUIDE ECONOMIC BALANCE

- Support existing and new businesses that add value to community life
- Evaluate and adjust tourism promotion to fill voids and reduce periodic overcrowding
- Continue partnership with MBPA to support our business community
- Consider appropriate development and redevelopment in line with the Comprehensive Plan

LEAD RESPONSIBLY

- Provide resources to town staff and volunteers to effectively meet the responsibilities of the town government to its constituents
- Communicate transparently and effectively with our community on a regular basis
- Maintain diligent management and oversight of town infrastructure
- Operate with sound fiscal practices and policies to weather economic cycles



ACTION PLAN AND INITIATIVES

Top 8 Goals for 2024-2025

- Take steps to enhance the Town's current short-term rental processes, standards, and Comprehensive Plan policies. Develop understanding of options to consider and pursue amendments, if appropriate.

(Protect our Quality of Life); Mayor Littleton and Councilmember Jacobs Staff Lead: Will Moore

- Explore options for improving outcomes of R-2 redevelopment processes and standards working with the Planning Commission.

(Protect our Quality of Life); Mayor Littleton and Councilmember Jacobs Staff Lead: Will Moore

- Strategically adjust the Town's tourism promotion to focus on times when the Town is not as busy and assess alignment with other marketing activities.

(Guide Economic Balance); Vice-Mayor Bernard and Councilmember Pearson Staff Lead: Ali MacIntyre

- Maintain recent changes to the mix and scale of town-run special events.

(Guide Economic Balance); Councilmembers Curran and Kirk Staff Lead: Ali MacIntyre

- Continue work to preserve, restore and reuse Asbury Church. Focus on community engagement that leads to design and construction.

(Lead Responsibly); Councilmembers Jacobs and Pearson Staff Lead: Rhonda North

- Determine next steps to enhance engagement with all citizens through effective communication. Emphasize outreach to and relationship with the Windy Hill communities to ensure their connection to the Town.

(Promote Community Well-Being & Lead Responsibly); Councilmember Curran and Vice-Mayor Bernard Staff Lead: Danny Davis

- Complete the improvement planning for town's capital needs, particularly focused on water/sewer renewal and replacement, and focused on sidewalk replacement and extension.

(Lead Responsibly); Councilmembers Leonard-Morgan and Daly Staff Lead: Will Moore

- Reassess town government's organizational structure and staffing needs, and incorporate results into the town's financial and human resource planning and budgeting for FY 25 and beyond.

(Lead Responsibly); Councilmembers Kirk and Daly Staff Lead: Chief Jones; Danny Davis



CORE VALUES

INTEGRITY – Doing the right thing
ACCOUNTABILITY – Owning our successes and failures
RESPECT - Treating everyone with dignity and consideration
TRANSPARENCY – Committing to clear and open communication

