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To: Ingrid Allen
Cc: Marshall Labadie

**Subject:** Town Planning Board Meeting 7/10/25 - Comp Plan

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Ingrid,

I had a scheduling conflict and could not attend the Planning Board meeting in person but did submit some written comments that were not possible to present in the three minutes of allotted time for public comment.

This afternoon I was able to view the meeting online.

I was very disappointed the Chair closed the meeting without any discussion about how to handle the citizen comments submitted in writing, only requesting actions for adjustments to the plan based on comments from the Board.

It also seems to me that the Board should be encouraged to conduct one or more special meetings before the regularly scheduled meeting on August 14<sup>th</sup> to review the Comprehensive Plan in more detail, section by section, and further examine the revised language they would like to recommend to the Commission.

It was also a bit disturbing some members of the Board did not seem to understand the role of regional planning agencies and our interlocal agreements that shape some of the language in the Comprehensive Plan. Perhaps they need to be brought up to speed on that?

On the positive side I think the consulting group (Inspire) did a good job of getting the framework of the required components in place for an orderly review.

Thank you, and I would appreciate whatever you can do about addressing the written citizen comments.

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