

RESULTS OF MASTER PLAN SURVEY (March, 2016)

RECOMMENDATION	SUPPORT	DO NOT SUPPORT	OTHER COMMENTS
Commercial development			
Consider refining commercial zoning to better define which types of uses are appropriate for different areas within the town.	17	2	One "not sure what you mean" response.
Consider providing incentives within the zoning ordinance to encourage clustered commercial development, shared driveways and parking lots, and increased greenspace.	16	3	
Consider implementing mixed-use "village district" zoning in Bartlett Village, Glen and Intervale to promote integration of small-scale commercial and residential uses.	14	5	
Consider developing architectural guidelines to ensure that the design of commercial development is compatible with the traditional character of the town.	13	4	2 responses of "?" 1 supportive response of "within reason"
Consider providing opportunity for the development of new gravel pits in town.	6	9	2 responses of "where?"
Residential development			
Consider requiring multi-lot subdivisions to have an overall long-term development plan to ensure appropriate layout of infrastructure and limit unplanned "piecemeal" development.	16	3	
Consider requiring large multi-unit residential developments to provide recreational facilities.	12	7	
Investigate ways in which affordable housing can be integrated into large multi-unit or multi-lot developments.	12	6	
Consider adopting regulations to limit the adverse impacts of development on steep slopes.	16	3	
Transportation			
Maintain active participation in all phases of state highway planning to ensure that improvements to the Route 16 and 302 corridors are compatible with the town's vision.	18	1	
Consider the construction of a bypass around Bartlett Village as an alternative to the upgrade of Route 302 to a high-speed or multi-lane corridor through the village (if proposed).	10	7	One response crossed out <u>both</u> columns. One wanted to know where it would go.
Consider developing a plan for the future use of the Bartlett rail yard as a commercial or transportation center area.	11	4	Three "?" responses.
Continue to support the Eastern Slope Regional Airport.	11	8	
Work with state officials to ensure that rail corridors to and within Bartlett remain available for potential future railroad use.	12	6	One "?" response.
Consider developing guidelines for the transfer of private roads to the town to ensure that growth in the town road system does not outpace the town's ability to maintain it.	17	2	

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Recreation			
Continue to support the Bartlett Recreation Department and seek to increase the number of both programs and participants.	16	3	One respondent answered all Recreation questions that "safety for children & families would be their largest concern."
Work with state highway department to ensure that any improvements to Routes 16 or 302 make provisions for bicycle lanes.	17	2	
Work with the Mt. Washington Valley Trails Association and other interests to expand opportunities for family-oriented non-motorized recreation (hiking, bicycling, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, etc.) by promoting the development of an integrated multi-use recreational trail system. Work with other towns in the valley to create a linked valley-wide trail network. Work with landowners, state agencies, and land trusts to secure permanent rights of access to this trail system.	16	2	One response of "snowmobiles."
Develop a map of the town's recreational trail system including scenic, natural, cultural and historic features.	15	3	
Consider opportunities for additional motorized winter recreation (snowmobiling) in appropriate corridors.	12	6	
Seek opportunities for town purchase of high recreational value, including sites for athletic fields, beaches and river access. Consider establishing a capital reserve fund for this purpose, allowing the town to quickly respond to opportunities as they arise.	12	4	Two "?" responses
Town facilities and infrastructure			
Improve police department facilities.	12	5	Two "?" responses
Develop and implement a plan for the long-term future of the town library.	14	4	One "?" response
Consider additional investment in equipment necessary for the town transfer station to take better advantage of opportunities to recycle waste materials.	18	0	One "would the town make money or would the costs go up?" response
Consider investigating the costs and benefits of installing centralized sewage treatment or connecting to an available system.	10	8	
Cultural and historic resources			
Consider conducting an inventory of town buildings and features of cultural historic interest.	14	5	
Work with the state's Historic Preservation Office to determine how best to conserve sites and buildings.	15	5	Two suggestions to also work with Bartlett Historical Society.
Natural Resources			
Support the state's Current Use tax program.	16	3	
Consider implementing zoning provisions that provide incentives for maintaining open space during large commercial and residential development projects (beyond existing open space requirements.)	14	4	

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Work with state resource agencies, land trusts and private organizations to promote conservation and proper management of privately owned agricultural and forest lands.	14	4	
Other			
Consider developing an ordinance to control excessive noise levels within the town.	9	7	One respondent would "consider" supporting it. One "is this a problem" response. One "?" response.
Consider seeking voter authorization to develop a capital improvement plan.	12	5	One respondent would "consider" supporting it.
Consider using the services and expertise of regional planning organizations.	12	6	One respondent would "consider" supporting it.
Find ways to stimulate volunteerism and public input on planning issues.	17	2	One respondent was disappointed with turnout at town meeting Always the same people volunteering.

Have you read the draft revised Master Plan?

- Twelve respondents said they had read the draft revised Master Plan.
- Six respondents said they had *not* read the draft revised Master Plan.
- One respondent said they had read some of it.

Vision Statement: Do you support the vision for the future of Bartlett?

- Seventeen respondents said they supported the Vision Statement for the future of Bartlett.
- Two respondents said they did *not* support the Vision Statement for the future of Bartlett.
- Two respondents said they supported "most of it."
- The following comments were made regarding the Vision Statement:
 - It is always sensible to have a vision. I commend you for being proactive and for looking toward the future needs of our town, Bartlett.
 - Sounds like the vision of the rich well-to-do and not anyone who struggles to live in a service industry area where you are treated as 2nd class by out-of-staters and their views.

The following comments on the recommendations, or suggestions for other recommendations, were made:

- The village does not need to be commercialized. Plenty of area in rest of town for commercial uses. Leave the village a residential village.
- Snowmobiling on railroad! and other. We have plenty of x-c ski trails.
- Many of the idea, suggestions use the word "consider." Does considering an idea cost money? Who will do the considering? Volunteers, selectmen, a cooperative effort or group. If a group considers an idea, what chances are there that the consideration might become _____ (fill in the blank) true, valid, completed, built, law.
- I feel this survey should carry very little weight in planning Bartlett's future. There should be some way to prove participants are actually Bartlett residents and that multiple surveys aren't being filled by one person. Though you might get some sort of insight, it could easily be misleading. Consider a new survey that is not so vague and more credible.
- Zoning is for Flatheads. They moved here and brought their ways with them. You no longer own your property. Everyone else has more say on what you do than the owner. More socialists, maybe they need to live in Russia?
- Debbie and I are full time residents of Glen since October 17, 2012. We love it here! I didn't see a need to complete the survey with the feeling that, "Don't fix it if it ain't broke!" Just one thing: Can anything be done about the motorcycles that come thundering up and down the Glen Ledge Road and through town? Thank you.
- Recognize snowmobiling as a recreational use.

- Would it be possible to have/build sidewalks in Bartlett Village to make our village more family/pedestrian friendly? Apply for grants for safe walking communities? Is it possible to post “Please do not use Jake brakes” signs in Bartlett Village? Would the Recreation Department consider trying to bring in a farmer's market? Offer more adult activities (sports).
- I support the snowmobile industry in our town as it's a vibrant economic force in our community, but only support expansion within the zones they are already operating. The town should limit road crossings within and expansion and make sure the needs of non-motorized recreation are considered and incorporated into any decision to expand.
- Develop snowmobiling trails.
- We wish we had more time to review the master plan because it is an extremely valuable document. So our first comment is “please begin emailing us when something of this magnitude is ready for perusal”. The web site should be a source of information that is viewed often – and should include links to all community groups, such as the Friends of the Bartlett Library and the library itself. All committee meetings should be posted ASAP. We should be sent an email for all information – then it is up to us to decide whether to read it or not. I receive emails from Jackson all the time and find some of the information valuable – I wish we had the same accessibility for Bartlett. On page 6 The Kearsarge Peg Mill should have a notation regarding it's destruction. It is a shame restoration could not have been made before that happened, but I suppose it was private property and nothing could be done. To have the only Peg Mill in the country could have been of value. We are hopeful the Town of Bartlett will encourage more “industrial” uses and very glad Bart's Deli and Cabin Fever seem to be prospering. Perhaps sidewalks in the center town would encourage more walking (safely) and more business considerations. The parks in the center of town are wonderful (and the new park/parking lot at the Bartlett Congregational Church should have been mentioned in the report), but the hazards of walking anywhere within the center of town might detract from enticing business to consider moving here. Volunteer needs were mentioned often and we believe the MWV Garden Club should have been mentioned because of all the work they do for the village center = Wills Park in JBES, the flagpole in the center and in front of the monument at Hodgkins Park. The radical improvements at the Bartlett Congregational Church park/parking should have been acknowledged as well. Wills and BCC made a huge difference in the center of Bartlett and only Gazebo Park was mentioned. Having only 8.3% of the town zoned for Commercial/Industrial does not leave many opportunities to grow. We would recommend the Roundhouse be given attention before the same thing happens to it (or it falls down). I am hopeful the Catholic Church will be approved at the meeting today and the town will support the BHS as they strive to restore and provide Bartlett History in a distinctive way. We were surprised the Morrell Property was not mentioned by name and there were several mentions of building bike paths, etc. It was even mentioned that property should be purchased for this purpose. I'm sure the bike paths will take more purchases, but the Morrell Property was donated years ago and the Recreation Department is currently working diligently to see a beginning soon. A focus on that should be in the next 5 year plan and the bike paths should be a consideration, but not the main focus. Walking paths, fields, exercise paths, should be designed and supported during the next 5 years – building off of that in a future plan. We would support considering a bypass if Route 302 ever became 4 lanes or expanded out, so this is something to consider regarding all new improvements when improvement such as the Morrell Property begin to take shape. It is unfortunate the Cook property that was a large flat parcel with access to the Saco River was not purchases by the town. We now have another unsightly business with a trailer near the center of town and were surprised to hear how low the price selling was. An opportunity lost. We were also surprised to see that JBES owns 30 acres of land and next to Saco River beach property there is nothing listed. Is the property JBES sits on actually 30 acres? We agree roads (and bridges?) need to be maintained but didn't see that mentioned as a priority. Discussion whether private roads should be taken over by Bartlett would appear to be a private issue between the town and homes affected. We are completely dependent on Time-Warner and have difficulty receiving cell phone calls so would like consideration given to upgrading communications infrastructure. The lack of any visible towers is admirable but somehow there should be upgrades for better access. It is the world we live in. If we had more time, we could have organized this better, but tried to touch as many bases as possible. This is the first time we noticed having the opportunity to provide input and it is appreciated – just wish we had been notified earlier. Also would have liked the names and email addresses of the planning board so we could email each of you, hoping you'd have time to look this over before tonight's meeting.