

**CUMBERLAND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**Thursday, February 26, 2026**

**A. Call to Order:** Chair Moriarty called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

**B. Roll Call:** Peter Bingham, Tig Filson, Bill Follett, Betsey Harding, Meg Helming, Jesse Lamarre-Vincent, Kathy MacDonald, Steve Moriarty - Chair, Eben Sweetser & Jane Wilson & Bob Vail. Josh Steirman arrived during Item E.2. **Staff:** Bridget Perry - Director of Planning, Christina Silberman - Admin Asst. & Paul Johnson - GPCOG. **Absent:** Scott Dresser, Nancy McBrady & Lorraine Rardin.

**C. Approval of February 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes:** Peter Bingham moved to approve the meeting minutes of February 12, 2026, seconded by Bill Follett and **VOTED, 7 yeas, 2 abstained (Helming & Lamarre-Vincent) – motion carries.**

**D. GPCOG Budget update – Paul:** Paul Johnson, GPCOG, reported that approximately 80% of the Comprehensive Plan development budget has been spent. Mr. Johnson expects to have sufficient funds to cover the work of GPCOG through June. Mr. Johnson suggested that going forward, the Committee should plan to approve two to three chapters per meeting.

**E. Review and Approve Chapters for content:**

**1. Marine Resources: A. Introduction by Cultural Natural Resources**

**Subcommittee:** Jesse Lamarre Vincent reviewed the marine resources chapter. Committee members provided feedback. Jane Wilson will make the agreed upon revisions to the language in the draft of the marine resources chapter. Chair Moriarty pointed out three available public access points for the shoreline. Peter Bingham moved to approve the marine resources chapter subject to the amendments suggested, seconded by Betsey Harding and **VOTED, all in favor– motion carries.**

**2. Historic and Archeological Resources: A. Introduction by Cultural Natural**

**Resources Subcommittee:** Mr. Lamarre-Vincent reviewed the draft historic and archeological resources chapter. Committee members provided feedback. Bridget Perry will add an early history section at the beginning of the chapter. The proposed land acknowledgement section will be removed from this chapter to be further discussed for possible inclusion at the beginning of the new Comprehensive Plan. Kathy MacDonald and Chair Moriarty will review the historical inventory for accuracy. The full Committee will review the revised draft electronically for approval via email.

**3. Existing Land Use: A. Introduction by Housing/Land Use Subcommittee:**

Mr. Follett reviewed the draft existing land use chapter. Committee members provided feedback. Mr. Follett will work with Ms. Perry to review new development information. Further revision is needed to this chapter to be reviewed later by the full Committee.

**F. Status**

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Status</b>
Sustainability	

Recreation and Town Owned Land                      Approved 2/12  
Land Use  
Housing  
Future Land Use  
Transportation  
Public Facilities  
Fiscal Capacity  
Economy  
Water Resources  
Open Space  
Marine Resources  
Historic and Archaeological Resources  
Critical Natural Resources  
Agriculture and Forestry Resources  
Population and Demographics                      Minor changes 2/12

**G. Determine next two to three chapters to be brought to full Committee:** The transportation and water resources chapters are slated for review at the next full Committee meeting. The historic and archeological resources chapter revisions will be reviewed and approved electronically via email by the full Committee.

**H. Administrative Matters/Old Business/New Business:** The next full Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 12, 2026.

**I. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

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**Christina Silberman, Administrative Asst.**