

**TOWN OF ORONO
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
COMP PLAN IMPLEMENTATION**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBER – MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

MINUTES

1. Roll Call

Councilors Present: Meghan Gardner (Comp Plan Committee Chair), Cheryl Robertson, Tom Perry and Sam Kunz.

Staff Present: Fire Chief Geoff Low, Deputy Fire Chief Rob St. Louis and Town Manager Sophie Wilson.

2. Discussion: Changes to Town’s Life Safety Program, including Adoption of NFPA Codes

The Comp Plan (Goals, Policies, and Actions, Section I, Subsection 4 (E)) identifies the expansion of the Town’s current rental inspection program from buildings with 3 or more units to include non-owner occupied rented single family and 2-unit structures.

Chief Low and Deputy Chief/Life Safety Inspector Rob St. Louis described the Town’s existing program and explained the impact of adopting NFPA codes in Orono.

The Committee had an open discussion about how to proceed with consideration of this identified proposed action.

3. Implementation of Unruly Gathering Ordinance

The Comp Plan (Goals, Policies, and Action, Section I, Subsection 4 (C)) identifies amending the ordinances to include an unruly gatherings provision to allow for direct and timely action when police determine that a gathering at a premise is “unruly”.

The Town began drafting this ordinance several years ago; however, progress was stalled as other items took priority.

The Committee reviewed the progress to date, identified the Committee’s goals, suggested changes and agreed to send the Ordinance to the attorney for legal review.

4. Brief Town Manager’s Report

Ms. Wilson provided a brief update on the following items:

- LD 200 – Resolve, to name the bridge on Main Street in Orono the Brandon M. Silk Memorial Bridge.

- LD522 – An act to prohibit the imposition by municipalities of general restrictions on rents and rental properties.
- Employment reorganization changes in Public Works and the Economic Development Office and Assessing.
- New construction on the University of Maine campus and the need for third-party inspections.
- Council Orientation Manual to be reviewed at the Council Workshop.
- New recycling contract for April 1, 2019.
- Candidates' Night - February 7, 2019; Candidate information on the website and through social media.

5. Adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Minutes are summary only. An audio recording of the meeting is available on the Town's website at www.orono.org under Agendas and Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

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Town Manager