

Date: February 1, 2019

To: Richard Colcord, Fire Chief - Tamworth.

From: The Tamworth Planning Board

Re: Update/revision of the Tamworth Master Plan

Dear Richard,

Pursuant to the Master Plan which was adopted by the residents of Tamworth in 2009, the Planning Board is tasked with periodically reviewing, revising and updating the document to reflect the changing needs of the town and its various departments, and to keep the town on the path toward implementing the tasks outlined in that original document.

In furtherance of that goal, the Board is now asking each of the town departments to review the portions of the Master Plan that pertain to that department, and to report to the Board the department's status vis-à-vis the Plan. In the interest of uniformity, the Board would like your organization to consider and provide a response to the following questions:

(1) How often does your organization review the Master Plan? *The first time I read the MP was after this e-mail.*

(2) Of the parts of the Plan which are pertinent to your organization, which parts do you believe have been implemented? *MP Chapter 4. A. 3 a Four village districts, Tamworth, S. Tamworth, Chocorua and Wonalancet. 4. A. 3 e Sign ordinance, Tamworth has adopted the federally mandated E911 signage directive. Tamworth does not have a choice to adopt or not, The State has mandated this. MP Chapter 9. Natural Hazards D. Tamworth follows NFPA and IBC codes as mandated by the State of NH. Does not matter if Tamworth officially adopts a particular RSA. Still have to follow State adopted Codes, RSA's and Rules. MP Chapter 14. Housing G. Building Inspector. By RSA, if a municipality does not have a full time code enforcement officer/building inspector this falls on the State of NH. However, there is verbage in NFPA 1, Fire Code, that the local AHJ can enforcement building codes. The State is pushing for Fire Chiefs to enforce all building codes. I.e. IBC, IEC, IMC etc. in conjunction with Life Safety and Fire Codes.*

(3) Of the parts of the Plan which are pertinent to your organization, which parts do you believe have not been implemented? *MP Chapter 6 E and F. Tamworth Central Station is antiquated and insufficient for current needs and does not allow for future growth or simple up grades. The building is cost prohibitive and impossible to meet current code requirements.*

(4) Is it the consensus of your organization that the parts which have not been implemented, should be implemented? If not, why not?

(5) What suggestion might your organization have to make the Master Plan a better and more relevant document? *Having all departments contribute for the most accurate and up to date information content.*

The Planning Board is arranging a work session meeting with a fire and rescue department representative as well as a representative from the police department for the purpose of receiving each of the organization's responses to the above questions. Other department members are also welcomed. Your meeting details are as follows:

**Time and place: 7 PM at the Town Office Building**

**Date: Wednesday, April 10, 2019**

In the meantime, if you have questions, please feel free to contact me for additional information.

Thank you for your service to our community, and I look forward to receiving your organization's input.

Sheldon Perry, Chair  
The Tamworth Planning Board