

## Brownfield Comp Plan Impl Comm (CPIC) August 2024 Update

The Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee reviews the suggestions laid out as goals and strategies in each chapter of the Comprehensive Plan, and then determines if a strategy is timely and will have a value for the town. In many cases, strategies are already being acted upon by various town residents/groups who are devoted to the town of Brownfield, and are willing to volunteer their time and energy to the town. As appropriate, the Steering Committee will bring the conversation/issue/question to the Planning Board, for a decision on whether a strategy needs to go to the Select Board for their consideration before any action is taken. If it is determined to have a value to the Town at that time, and approval is given, then the recommendation may be acted upon.

The most recent updates include the following:

1. Housing:

- Emergency facilities have been included in the plan for the new Public Safety Building for which Brownfield has been awarded a Congressional Directed Spending Grant of \$2.89M. The town will have to raise and appropriate the balance of \$950,000 for this project to move forward.

2. Recreation:

- The Recreation Director has submitted budget requests that include building maintenance, some of which have occurred. New flooring has been installed, and ball fields have been improved. Concrete dugouts have been built at the ball fields, and a new concrete entryway has been installed to provide easier access to the Community Center for disabled individuals.

3. Public Facilities and Services:

- Conversations are underway with Fryeburg Town Manager about grant from Community Resilience Program for home composting units. They will track to see if it will reduce transfer station costs.
- The Fire Dept. hosted an open house for Brownfield residents. Several Community dinners have been sponsored by the Fire Department.
- Taxpayers voted to increase the budget in support of Fryeburg Rescue at the 2024 Town Meeting.
- An increased number of Brownfield residents attended the MSAD72 budget presentation for the 2024-2025 school budget. The budget was subsequently passed.

4. Future and Existing Land Use Plan:

- The town continues to include funding for training and seminars in the 2024-2025 town budget.
- The Planning Board has engaged Southern Maine Planning and Development to draft a zoning document