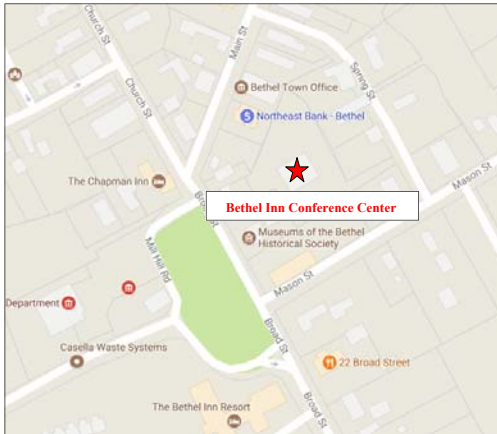


Join AVCOG
For the 30th annual
planning day!



Please Pre-register by:
Thursday, November 9, 2017

Late Fee \$10.00, effective 11/10/2017

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30th Annual Planning Day

Thursday, November 16, 2017
**Bethel Inn
Conference Center**
Bethel, ME



*We hope that all municipal officials will
enjoy and learn from these sessions.*

Planning Day 2017

8:30 - 8:45 a.m. - Registration
8:45 - 9:10 a.m. - Opening Remarks

9:15 to 10:35 a.m.

Is a Form-Based Code Right for Your Community?

Form-based codes (FBC) can be tailored to meet a wide range of community needs. Learn what elements are often included in a FBC and see how a couple of communities have utilized FBC as an alternative to traditional zoning. Practical considerations and discussion of when a FBC is an appropriate development tool will be shared.

Presenters:

Shelley Norton, Land Use Planner, AVCOG
Douglas Greene, Urban Development Coordinator, Auburn, Maine

10:40 to Noon

Land Use Legislation and Law Court Update

The legislature and Law Court have been busy with decisions which affect subdivision law, dangerous buildings and other issues important for Building and Planning staff and boards. You've heard that the Supreme Court's decision in 2015 has implications for town sign ordinances; now hear from legal professionals what needs to be updated in town ordinances and policies and the implications for towns which do not make these updates.

Presenters:

Mark Bower, Director/Partner, Jensen Baird Gardner & Henry
Alyssa Tibbetts, Associate, Jensen Baird Gardner & Henry

12:10- 1:25 p.m.

Lunch, AVCOG General Assembly Meeting/Program Updates

"Community Forests: A Community Investment Strategy"

Community Forests can provide a multitude of benefits to town's in Maine by creating direct revenue and jobs, protecting ecological services, and providing close-to-home recreational opportunities. The Community Forest model secures town or other local community ownership of forestland, promotes community participation in management decision, and ensures that communities receive direct benefits from the land. Over the past 15 years, The Trust for Public Land has helped 25 towns across Northern New England acquire and activate Community Forests as a true community asset. Join us to learn more and to see whether this model could be a good fit for your town.

Speaker:

Betsy Cook, Project Manager, Trust for Public Land

1:30 to 2:50 p.m.

Shoreland Zoning - Answers to Commonly Asked Questions

This presentation will provide a brief update from the Department's Shoreland Zoning program and will also include answers to the most commonly asked shoreland zoning questions. Bring your questions to add to the lively discussion.

Presenter:

Mike Morse, Maine DEP Shoreland Zoning Unit

PLANNING DAY 2016 - November 16, 2017

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FEE: Includes workshops, all materials, refreshments, and lunch.

Late registration (November 10th) and at the door: add \$10.

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Registration Per Person:

AVCOG Members

\$35.00

Non-member

\$50.00

Executive Committee/General Assembly Representatives Free

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Please note: A 72-hour cancellation notice is required; otherwise, you will be charged the full workshop fee.