## **Recommended Meeting Etiquette**

(adapted from Strafford Regional Planning Commission's suggested guidelines for its meetings)

You are probably very well aware of these suggested guidelines but it never hurts to offer them again.

- Be present at the scheduled start of the meeting.
- Be respectful of the views of others.
- Ensure that only one person talks at a time. Raising your hand to be recognized by the chair or facilitator is good practice.
- Do not interrupt others or start talking before someone finishes.
- Do not engage in cross talk.
- Avoid individual discussions in small groups during the meeting. When one person speaks, others should listen.
- Active participation is encouraged from all members.
- When speaking, participants should adhere to topics of discussion directly related to agenda items.
- When speaking, individuals should be brief and concise when speaking.