

Shrewsbury Planning Commission
MINUTES
November 12, 2024
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Shrewsbury Town Office
9823 Cold River Rd., Shrewsbury VT

Shrewsbury Planning Commission

7:00 to 7:15 p.m. Open to public input

Following public input:

1. Call to order
Meeting called to order at 7:08
Attendees: Laura Black, Conner Self, and Melissa Reichert

2. Approval of agenda, review and/or revision
Agenda approved as presented.

3. Acceptance of meeting minutes of October 22, 2024
Meeting minutes accepted as written.

4. Rounds and mail (SPC members' updates and review PC mail received)

We discussed the elevations involved with the flood elevation for the permit in Cuttingsville and if it is clear in the Flood Hazard Regulations that someone can have the elevation determined by a surveyor.

The Town Report will be due soon and Laura will do it. We also need to develop a budget. Laura suggests we retain the funding we got for Community Value Mapping results in 2024 and ask for \$500 for 2025. Town Office people want us to clean out the shelves in the Treasurer's Office and get rid of old maps. We will do this at a future meeting. Laura met with the Conservation Commission and answered straightforward questions about the Unified Zoning and Subdivision Regulations. She will send them wildlife crossing information from other towns. Mount Holly has a map showing wildlife crossings. Laura met with the Selectboard about the Class 4 road policy. They want to delete Section V. 3. on Work in the Right of Way. Laura will let us know of any further meetings on the Class 4 road policy with Selectboard.

Conner wrote a short paragraph for the Planning Commission to be submitted to the Times to encourage interest in the planning process.

Ryan brought up via email making plans to meet with the Development Review Board and Zoning Administrator to discuss the Flood Hazard Regulation. Laura suggested we just meet with Adrienne Raymond first. Melissa will contact Adrienne to see if she would come to a meeting to discuss the flood hazard regulations.

5. Town Plan revision strategy

- Review redundancies – Conner reviewed some of the redundancies and thought they are mostly just little things.
- Review mapping requirements – Conner reviewed the mapping requirements.
 - We do not have a map that shows current land uses either by parcel or building.
 - We do not show recreation – including trails
 - We do not show agricultural lands as described in 6VSA 8
 - Transfer station is missing on the municipal map
 - Transportation plan map is a requirement and we do not have certain elements like trails, trailheads parking, scenic roads. Possibly show hydrologically connected areas and bridges and culverts.

We discussed the current Town Plan Maps. The aerial map is out of date. We have a watershed map that is unusual. The contour map seems unnecessary especially with the use of hill shade on maps.

Most of the other towns in the Rutland Region have designated village centers. Laura will look into what it means to have a village center.

6. Community Value Mapping – Laura has begun working on the transfer of each topic to one map.

7. To do list review – same list as before

- Scenic Resources – Melissa
- Town Plan Maps discussion - Conner
- Meadowlands review - Ryan

Next meeting November 26

8. Adjourn

Planning Commission, Chair

Date