

Remote Electronic - Special Work Meeting Minutes

Wednesday December 2nd, 2020 6:30 P.M.

Commission Members Present: Jon McCann (Chair), Jim Seward, Stephen Michel, Lisa Terreri, Brigid Sullivan

Commission Members Absent: none

Also Present: Renee Sarmento, Gabrielle Macklin-Bickford, Nicole Lewis, Francis DeVine, Okemo Valley TV

- 1. Jon called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
- 2. Changes to agenda: No changes made to the agenda.
- 3. Announcements
 - Jon formally invited the Planning Commission to attend the December 8th Selectboard Meeting for a presentation by Steffanie Bourque of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan draft.
- 4. Town Plan Revisions
 - a. Review
 - i. Reviewed changes made in the Vision and Goals section of the Town Plan working draft over the last few months for the benefit of the new members. Draft was distributed electronically before the meeting and will be posted to the Google Drive and Website.
 - ii. Discussed JAM Golf decision as example of what could happen if a town plan lacks specificity.
 - b. Strategy
 - i. Jon put forward a plan to gather data before making any more substantial changes to the Plan draft.
 - ii. Francis DeVine gave an overview of activities of the Conservation Commission, and described the planned survey work with Castleton University to try to capture community values. The work runs from 2/1-5/30. He will investigate the possibility of collaborating with the PC.
 - iii. For each of the 12 required sections of the Plan we brainstormed who we should reach out to contact to acquire more data and investigate outstanding needs.
- 5. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

For the Commission, Lisa Terreri, Planning Commission Secretary

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