

Town of Sharon, Vermont
DRB/Planning Commission
Special Meeting Minutes
February 1, 2022 (DRAFT)

The meeting was publicly warned in conformance with the January 2022 amendments to the Vermont Open Meeting law requirements for remote and/or telephonic meetings.

Attending:

From Sharon Town Offices: Margy Becker (taking minutes); Attending remotely via Zoom: DRB/SPC members Ira Clark, Paul Kristensen, John Roe, Sue Sellew, Lee Simek.

Ira Clark convened the meeting at approximately 7:00PM.

1. Status of Sharon Town Plan:

Ira Clark reports the Selectboard agrees with the SPC's suggestion to readopt the 2015 Town Plan. The legal process could take place within 30 days and with one public hearing before the Selectboard. Two Rivers ORC regional planning staff has provided some guidance as to a readoption process 'without regional commission oversight' and without 'confirmation' of the Town Plan by TRORC.

24 VSA Sec. 4387. Readoption of Plans. indicates "a municipality may readopt any plan that has expired or is about to expire. Prior to any readoption, the PC shall review and update the information on which the plan is based, and shall consider this information in evaluating the continuing applicability of the plan." PC members noted that in its review, the planning commission is directed to accomplish certain planning activities as listed subsections A – G. PC members discussed these requirements and agreed to transmit a letter/report to the Selectboard addressing how these planning activities have been accomplished. This letter will be forthcoming from Ira Clark over the weekend and sent to the Selectboard prior to its meeting on Monday night, February 7th.

Ira Clark agreed to contact TRORC staff to request they transmit to the Town the 2015 Plan as adopted and 'confirmed' by TRORC.

2. Upcoming Agenda: February 8, 2022 meeting:

Planning Commissioners briefly discussed the business to be before them on February 8, noting the potential for one subdivision review, continued Town Plan revision work with Victoria Littlefield, and continued discussions with Black River Quarries.

3. Adjourn:

Sue Sellew made the motion to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting at 8:10PMPM. Paul Kristensen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by Margy Becker