

Town of Sharon, Vermont  
Planning Commission Minutes  
APRIL 12, 2022

*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** Ira Clark, Paul Kristensen, Sue Sellew (taking minutes). Remote: John Roe, Lee Simek

Ira Clark convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. We reviewed the minutes of March 8<sup>th</sup> Lee made a motion to approve the minutes with recommended edits, Paul seconded; the minutes were unanimously approved.

**Black River Quarries** Jason Blackburn appreciates the work we put into the letter we sent to them. He will talk with Rob Townshend and they may meet with us in May.

**Thompson Subdivision Application** Terry Thompson said that they just got their property on Rte. 132 surveyed and they hopefully will be at the May meeting.

**Alliance for VT Communities** Michael Sacca would like to erect an informational kiosk directing people to areas of interest in the Town of Sharon including hiking and biking trails. He would like to install a bike rack in town and has been working with Kevin Gish to identify the best location for it. Our Town Plan encourages biking in town. The Alliance will pick up some of the cost of the project.

**Future Projects** A Fay Brook Road resident wants to move a business into the Village. Ira met with John Vogel and Tina Wendon who would like to build an affordable housing project on the Jacobs land on River Road next to the I-89 bridge. They have built several affordable housing units in the UV. Ira recommended that they present their proposal to the full SPC. We discussed whether the PC's should help people interpret the Town Plan and agreed that we should.

**Minutes** We reviewed revisions to the March 20, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion was made by John to approve, Paul seconded.

**Revisions to Subdivision and Flood Hazard Bylaws** We discussed whether we could revise these bylaws this year, perhaps with the help of a consultant, but decided that we needed to complete the Town Plan first.

**Town Plan** Kevin Geiger did not join the discussion. The 2020 census data is missing from the last version we received from Tory. Ira will resend the link to the file and maps. Everyone should review/edit the Town Plan so we can discuss it May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Future Meeting Dates**

Nicola would like meeting agendas information by Wednesday prior to the meeting.

- May 3<sup>rd</sup> – work on the Town Plan, review maps
- May 10<sup>th</sup> – regular Planning Commission meeting with Black River and the Thompson's.
- May 31<sup>st</sup> – work on Town Plan, review maps
- No meeting on regularly scheduled June 14<sup>th</sup>
- June 21<sup>st</sup> – Planning Commission meeting
- Late June – Send the Town Plan to the Selectboard for review

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM Sue made the motion, Paul seconded, all approved.