

Town of Vershire Planning Commission Meeting Minutes DRAFT
Wednesday, October 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Vershire Town Center.

Attendance: Gregory Wilson-co-chair, Eleanor Zue-co-chair, Seann Cram, Michelle Massa, Meghan Asbury, consultant (remotely), Justin Will (remotely) and Helen Wilson-secretary.

Call to Order: G. Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:17 pm.

Agenda Review & Modifications: Shifted discussion of the Nuisance ordinance to the end of the meeting.

Public & Staff Comments: Michelle indicated an interest in attending the Fall Planning & Zoning Forum - Hybrid | Vermont League of Cities and Towns (vlct.org) Thurs Oct 17 at Lake Morey Inn). Eleanor pointed out the town is a member of the VLCT, so she can definitely attend.

Approval of Minutes: Eleanor moved to approve the minutes of 9/11/24. Seann seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Town plan sections: Health, Scenic and Historic Resources, Garage updates, Survey results

The section on **Health** has an added paragraph on Substance Use Prevention.

There will be additional information of Food Security. Gregory and Michelle will be meeting with 2 town members for finalize that this week.

Michelle suggested additional language relating to the 2 town-owned forests as cited in the town plan in **Town Resources** section, so as to heighten the goal of preserving these lands for recreational and environmental purposes. Meghan will merge that into the **Scenic Resources** section.

Meghan will contact Doug Stone for necessary updates to the **Town Garage** section.

Community Survey

The print version of the survey has been printed and will be mailed to all residents and others on the Town's mailing list ASAP. The results will be added to the plan as an Appendix.

New Business:

Planning Commission Public Hearing:

The Planning Commission is required to hold a public hearing before submitting the plan to the Select Board. After discussion of possible dates, Wednesday, November 20 was set. We need to mail copies of the Plan, and the Planning Commission Report to a number of people 30 days before the Hearing, and post

notices at 3 locations and in a local newspaper 15 days before the hearing.

Proposed Nuisance Ordinance:

The proposed nuisance ordinance was discussed, and edited to reflect the idea that it is primarily designed to stop harassment by noise and light. The edited version will be sent to the Select Board for their consideration.

Next regular Meeting, November 13th. Planning Commission Public Hearing scheduled for November 20th.

Announcements/Other: None.

Adjourn: G. Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. Seann seconded. The motion passed unanimously.