

MINUTES
FAYSTON PLANNING COMMISSION
September 4, 2018 Unapproved

Members Present: Carol Chamberlin, Don Simonini, Doug Day, Pete Ludlow; ZA: John Weir

The meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm.

Members first reviewed the Minute of August 6, 2018. Doug moved to accept the Minutes and Don seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Reports: Town Municipal Day is coming up in Montpelier in October. This is an all-day event sponsored by the Agency of Natural Resources. This would be a good opportunity for members. There was no news to relay with regard to the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission. Don said the Mad River Valley Planning District has not met since July, but will be meeting in September. Don said the Mad River Valley Recreation District is considering options tax.

Members discussed the meeting schedule. Members decided that Planning Commission meetings will now be held on the second Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

Members then discussed the schedule and outline for the Town Plan update, due by the end of 2019. John will print out the last Town Plan for Karl, Don, Doug, and Pete. Members are to review the last Plan to see which chapters they'd like to work on. Each member will be given a chapter or two to revise and update. Revisions and updates will then be reviewed by the other members.

Members then revisited Eric Vorwald's consultation report on the municipal plan update. With regard to the weaknesses of the last Town Plan, employment information has gotten more difficult to find. Census data with regard to employment information has become more regional through the American Community Survey. Members will do what they can to find the best information on Fayston residents employment. Members could encourage accessory dwellings more in the Policy section of the Plan. Members could also provide more detail as to Board responsibilities and timeframes within which to achieve the goals and objectives. Duplicate information can be removed. Unnecessary detail as to Town history could be moved to an appendix, but members like the way the Plan is now in this respect.

With regard to any opportunities via the update to the Town Plan, members do not plan to seek any sort of village center designation. A Capitol Improvements Plan could be linked with the Selectboard. There are no real future growth areas in Fayston to denote. As far as energy planning, members could use CVRPC's plan as a start and then insert relevant Fayston details. For transportation connections, members could use the information generated by Joshua Schwartz (MRVPD). Flood resiliency and forest integrity can also be expounded upon.

Members then discussed the survey. Members should review the old survey to see how it meshes with the Town Plan. Members will pick up with the survey at next meeting.