

**Town of Addison
Addison Planning Commission
65 VT ROUTE 17W
Addison, VT 05491**

Meeting Minutes: Tuesday, July 16,2024.

Unapproved (Approved on 08/19/24)

Board Members present: Starr Phillips, Jennifer Barrett, and Jeff Kauffman Jr.

Zoning Administrator Michael Wojociechowski was not present.

Absent: Adam Thoman on vacation with his family and an open position. "Others present" Jeff Kauffman Sr, Peter Briggs, Elizabeth Armstrong, Michael Hollis, Michael Kachmar, Levi Barrett, and Katie Raycroft-meyer from A.C.R.P.C.

Chair Jeff Kauffman Jr called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM asking for roll call of members. (3) (1 absent) & (1) open position.

The meeting was turned over to Katie Raycroft-meyer for her presentation on Chap. 2 "Land Use Plan". We discussed the Progress made with the "Community Survey". It is ready for putting addressing the post cards for mailing, hard copy on the computer & can use the zero code to fill out the survey.

With the 2015 copy of the Town Plan, it was determined to leave the paragraph on "Community Vision" as is for now. 2. Under "Values, Goals, Strategies" will need to revise the wording in that section and delete the wording about the school since we no longer have a community school.

1. COMMUNITY VALUES: We would like Addison to be an affordable, equitable and livable place for all ages.

GOALS:

1. Leave bullet # 1, 2 & 3 as is in the plan.
2. Delete bullet # 4 about the school from the plan.
3. Leave bullet # 5 in the plan by supporting paces & spaces where neighbors can meet, talk, eat and recreate.

2. COMMUNITY VALUE:

GOALS:

1. How many operating farms are there in Addison today?
2. Had questions about bullet # 1 & # 3 concerning farms, how to preserve their existence & open land surrounding them with the usefulness of the open spaces.
3. Strive for "best management practices" for agriculture was too broad.
3. COMMUNITY VALUES: We wish to preserve our natural resources, scenic views and ecological services now and into the future.

GOALS:

The (4) bullets in this section are good to keep at this time but may decide later to rewrite or delete parts.

4. COMMUNITY VALUE: We support local businesses that add to our local economy and offer services, networking opportunities and jobs to local residents, and which do not diminish rural and scenic character.

GOALS:

1. Keep bullet # 1 & # 3 Support policies and infrastructure for successful home-based-businesses and land-based businesses which support the goals of our plan.
2. encourages development which provides opportunities for local employment, local entrepreneurship, skill training and local collaboration, particularly which supports local agriculture, local food, young families and seniors.
3. Bullet # 2 to incorporate property development into the policies and infrastructure for successful tourism and outdoor recreation which support the goals of our plan.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

Keep # 1 Using Vermont Agency of Natural Resources and ACRPC maps to identify conserved lands and significant natural areas to guide growth and land use decisions.

Numbers 2, 3, and 4 not to be used right now and throw out.

Number 5, Keep continuing discussions on community wastewater and water facilities to support the Village Center infrastructure.

Number 6 remove regarding school governance and consolidation.

Number 7 Leave as is with requiring that all new subdivision lots be surveyed, and in the case of new major subdivisions, that all lots, including the remaining parcel, be surveyed.

LAND USE PLANNING AREAS:

Based on district land characteristics (including but not limited to topography, historic development patterns, soils, vegetation etc.), there are (6) six land use areas. Each is associated with an appropriate zoning district within Addison's zoning regulations. These land use areas can be seen on Map 10 in this chapter

1. Village Neighborhood Commercial District (VC)
2. Low density Residential/Agricultural District (LDR/A)
3. Shoreland Residential District (SR)
4. Shoreland Recreational District (SREC)
5. Conservation District (CON)
6. Flood Hazard Area Overlay District (THO)

These we will leave as is for now but may go back to reword or enhance the areas or districts since we have (2) Village Centers hubs.

The next time we meet with Katie in September, we are to read the definition for each district and finish to page 34 in our Town Plan and start on Chap. 3 with Community Facilities and Services on the next 5 pages. Continue to read Chap. 4 on Transportation in the next 6 pages.

We continued with our business meeting after Katie had finished and closed her presentation.

New Business:

The May 21 2024 Meeting Minutes were approved as presented in a motion by Jennifer Barrett, seconded by Starr Phillips. All in favor (3) (1 absent) & (1) opening

We discussed the revisions made on the last (5) Zoning & Subdivision Regulations. In a motion made by Jennifer Barrett, seconded by Starr Phillips to approve for a **Public Hearing on Monday, August 19, 2024 at our next meeting. We will meet at 6:30PM for our business meeting first and open the Public Hearing at 7:00PM. At 7:30PM the SB will have their own Public Hearing on the Zoning & Subdivision. We'll have a question & answer discussion from the public too.**

In a motion made by Starr Phillips, seconded by Jennifer Barrett to accept the (3) candidates for the open position. All in favor. We had an interview discussion with our (3) candidates applying for the open position on the board. They are Elizabeth Armstrong, Michael Hollis and Michael Kachmar. Elizabeth Armstrong decided to withdraw her name from the selection and expressed we should pick one of the men to the board. We did the interview. We were receptive of both answers and interests in wanting to serve on the board.

In a motion made by Jennifer Barrett, seconded by Starr Phillips to go into Executive Session to discuss our recommendation for a nomination to the SB for final decision. All in favor, 1 absent & 1 open position.

In a motion made by Starr Phillips, seconded by Jennifer Barrett to come out of Executive Session to announce our choice of candidate. All in favor., (1) absent & (1) open position.

In a motion made by Jennifer Barrett, seconded by Jeff Kauffman, Jr to recommend Michael Hollis to the SB as our choice of candidate for the open position. All in favor. (1) absent & (1) open position.

We allow for public comment time at the beginning and end of the meeting when it's deemed necessary.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 19, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Addison Community Center for our business meeting. Our Public Hearing at 7:00PM on the revisions for the last (5) changes made on Zoning & Subdivision Regulations. The SB Public Hearing at 7:30PM for their Public Hearing on the Zoning & Subdivision Regulations. We will have a question & answer discussion on the regulations after each hearing.

Adjourn: A motion was made by Jennifer Barrett, seconded by Starr Phillips to adjourn at 8:30PM. (3) in favor, (1) absent & (1) open position.

Submitted by:

Starr I. Phillips, Secretary
Addison Planning Commission

At the August meeting on 08/19/24 we need to put on agenda:

A board member to serve as Co-Chair

We need to look over the VT STATE ETHICS PAPER to
Check if we are following the criteria or need to begin doing

Hold our Public Hearing on Zoning & Subdivision Regulations

Announce our choice of candidate to be nominated by the SB