

Minutes of the July Planning Commission Meeting 18 July 2016

The meeting began at 7:04 at the Morrill Homestead Education Center

In attendance were: Michael Scanlon, Stuart Crocker, Chrissy Jamieson, John Echeverria, Steve Campbell, Donald Graham and Steve Willbanks. Also present were Loralee Morrow and Kevin Geiger of the Two Rivers Ottaquechee Regional Planning Commission.

The minutes of June 20, 2016 were approved.

The edits provided by John Echeverria to the introduction of the draft town plan were approved.

Further discussion of the future land uses of Strafford lands began focusing on habitat protection, corridors and remote areas of the town. A consensus was developed that the Land and Forest Conservation District should be enlarged. A tentative map was developed which included roadless areas and conserved lands with a proposed 500 foot buffer around existing class 3 and class 2 roads that would remain in the Rural Residential District.

The structure of the Land Use Chapter of the town plan draft was also discussed and it was agreed to include purpose, policy and implantation tasks for each district as well as townwide policies and implementation steps.

The full Planning Commission will next meet on 8 August at the Homestead, will hold a Community Forum on 10 August at the Town House to broaden the discussion of the land use proposals and there will be a working group session on 15 August to consider Natural Resources and Transportation chapters.



Steve Campbell

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