

Strafford Planning Commission Minutes
January 19, 2026
Strafford Town Office

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Members present: Stuart Crocker, chair; Andy Silovich; Greg Colling; Jonathan Nedeau; Phoebe Mix

Others: John Echeverria, Strafford representative to TRORC

The meeting was called to order at 7:04

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of Nov. 17, 2025 be approved with a spelling correction. The minutes were unanimously approved.

John Echeverria attended to inform the Commission about changes made last year to Act 250 reviews. These included a tier system which determines whether projects in certain areas are exempt from Act 250 reviews. John was specifically concerned with Tier 1b. This would eliminate Act 250 reviews of housing projects of 10-50 units in a certain area, the Town of Strafford, for instance, if there was sufficient local capacity to perform an equivalent level of review to that of the district commissions. He said that TRORC would be contacting the Selectboard about whether they had an interest in such a designation. John suggested that the Planning Commission might have an interest in this matter. It was moved and seconded for the chair to contact the Selectboard about this matter (GC/PM). The motion was unanimously approved.

Greg Colling reported on the meeting of the Survey Committee (him, Martha, and Jonathan). The committee had a difficult time formulating questions which would be useful for a town survey. There was a discussion about what sort of information is needed from the town for the Town Plan. This evolved into a discussion of the nature of the Town Plan. It was finally decided that each Commission member should bring five (5) possible survey questions to the February meeting.

There was a motion to adjourn at 8:27 (MS/GC). It was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Scanlan, Secretary