CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TOWN PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE MAY 26, 2016 MEETING NOTES

The regular meeting of the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission's Town Plan Review Committee was held on Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 4:00pm in the Conference Room of the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission.

Committee Members Present:

George Malek – Town of Orange Julie Potter – Town of East Montpelier

Others Present:

Matt Rouleau – Town of Williamstown Margaret Phillips – Town of Williamstown Eric Vorwald, AICP – CVRPC Senior Planner

CALL TO ORDER

Without a quorum of committee members present the meeting could not be called to order.

DISCUSSION OF THE WILLIAMSTOWN TOWN PLAN UPDATE

At 4:15pm, with still no quorum present, it was decided to have a general discussion regarding the Williamstown Town Plan update since representatives of Williamstown were in attendance. The representatives from Williamstown began the discussion by talking about any issues they encountered while developing the plan. It was noted that one of the biggest challenges was gathering and developing the information for the flood hazard mitigation section. It was also noted that conducting a survey of the community to better understand their needs and interests was the top priority for the planning commission now that the town plan has been updated. The group continued its discussion regarding the Williamstown Town Plan update and included items such as the overall layout, possible constraints to building in the Designated Village Center, and similar issues.

Following the discussion, the committee members present noted that this was one of the best plans they've seen for a small town that did not use a consultant and completed all the work on their own. Specifically commenting on the layout, use of graphics, and use of plain language. As such, the committee members suggested that the full commission approve the 2016 Williamstown Town Plan

ADJOURNMENT

The discussion on the 2016 Williamstown Town Plan concluded at 5:25pm.