

CENTRAL VERMONT REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
Municipal Plan Review Committee
Draft Minutes

November 2, 2020 at 7:00pm
Via GoToMeeting Software

Committee Members:

X	Bill Arrand, Worcester
X	Lee Cattaneo, Orange Commissioner
X	Ron Krauth, Middlesex Commissioner
X	Joyce Manchester, Moretown Alternate Commissioner
X	Jan Ohlsson, Calais Alternate Commissioner

Municipal Representatives: Janet Shatney, Barre City Director of Planning, Permitting, and Assessing
Public: George Clain (Barre Town Alternate Commissioner), Michael Hellein (Barre City Planning
Commission Chair)
Staff: Zach Maia, Clare Rock

CALL TO ORDER

B. Arrand called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Everyone introduced themselves.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

No changes to agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

COMMITTEE PROCESS

Z. Maia provides overview of proposed changes to the Committee. Changes mainly focus on Committee purpose and bring these into alignment with the Board of Commissioners adopted bylaws.

J. Ohlsson moves to accept the revised Committee Rules of Procedure, dated March 2020. Seconded by L. Cattaneo. All in favor, Motion Carries.

**PUBLIC HEARING: APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF BARRE, VERMONT 2020 CITY MUNICIPAL PLAN AND
CONFIRMATION OF THE LOCAL PLANNING PROCESS**

J. Ohlsson moves to open the public hearing, seconded by R. Krauth. All in favor, Motion Carries.

J. Manchester and M. Hellein join the meeting.

B. Arrand introduces plan background and information on the decision at hand. J. Shatney thanks the committee, and provides perspective on the plan update, noting that the plan is a major update, but not a rewrite. J. Shatney introduces M. Hellein, the Barre City Planning Commission chair, and thanks the Planning Commission for their efforts.

Z. Maia provides a quick background on staff perspective and information on what is included in the plan update.

J. Manchester asks why the City is not pursuing a determination of energy compliance. J. Shatney explains that the City is in a tough spot with little on-ground solar potential, and the Energy Committee wants to focus on how to pursue the State's goals with an achievable plan. Energy Committee plans to bring forward the effort.

L. Cattaneo moves to recommend regional approval of the City of Barre, Vermont 2020 City Municipal Plan to the CVRPC Board of Commissioners, seconded by J. Manchester. All in favor. Motion carries.

R. Krauth moves to recommend confirmation of the City of Barre's planning process to the CVRPC Board of Commissioners, seconded by J. Ohlsson.

Discussion: J. Ohlsson comments generally that childcare will be a major issue for municipalities to start thinking creatively about solving. J. Ohlsson states she was impressed with the plan's benchmarks and tracking. J. Manchester agrees, and offers suggestion to bring idea to Let's Grow Kids, an organization working to get support from business, public, and legislative perspectives. There must be some partnership between all involved. Z. Maia provides overview of beginning of CVRPC work with Let's Grow Kids.

All in favor. Motion carries.

L. Cattaneo moves to close public hearing, J. Ohlsson seconds. All in favor. Motion carries.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Z. Maia provides update on J. Ohlsson suggestion on page 1, to change text to "Isn't in purview of Municipal Plan Review Committee."

J. Manchester moves to approve minutes from the September 21, 2020 meeting as modified, seconded by R. Krauth. All in favor. Motion carries.

ADJOURNMENT

J. Manchester moves to adjourn, seconded by J. Ohlsson. All in favor. Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm.