

# Town of Greensboro ♦ Planning Commission

## MINUTES

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 13, 2017

**LOCATION:** Library, Greensboro, VT

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 5:13 pm

**MEMBERS:** Dan Predpall, Chair; David Miltenberger, Vice Chair; Christine Armstrong; and Ellen Celnik

**ABSENT:** Stew Arnold

*Motion by David Miltenberger, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christine Armstrong to approve the minutes of August 9, 2017.*

Dan Predpall informed the Commission that Stew Arnold had resigned. Stew's sections of the Town Plan will now need to be reassigned. In terms of preparing Goals, Policies and Actions (Section 4), he suggested to write the goals and policies first and then write the text. He suggested to write and circulate the information to all members so members could review and then discuss at the next meeting.

Commission reviewed and discussed the Draft Town Plan Preparation Schedule along with the Town website. They noted some information on the Planning Commission page was outdated and needed to be revised.

Dan Predpall noted he would write information to be added to the Planning Commission page.

Commission discussed the handout 'A Vision for Greensboro'. Suggestions were made.

Christine Armstrong noted that she had made changes and would forward to Commission.

Commission discussed handout 'Purpose of the Town Plan (Revision 1)'.

Ellen Celnik noted she has read various towns' Town Plan for comparison to Greensboro's Town Plan.

Dan Predpall discussed the previous outreach survey and wondered if another study was needed.

Christine Armstrong noted she would need statistics of Orleans County to better assist her with her sections of the Town Plan.

Commission discussed amenities such as high speed internet throughout the Town, areas of Vermont and the world.

Dan Predpall discussed the 'Grants' handout which is a list of available grants. He suggested that the Commission review the sheet and determine if they could compete for some next year.

David Miltenberger discussed possible coordination of recreation program and suggested a part time person position.

Dan Predpall to check with Alison Low of NVDA to see if any grants are available to Greensboro.

Christine Armstrong suggested to have a UVM intern (graduate student) do the grant writing for the Planning Commission.

Dan Predpall suggested the Commission think about 'what does the Town need' or 'what can we pursue'.

He noted the Selectboard would be reviewing the budget soon and asking departments what monies they would need to budget for.

Christine Armstrong wondered if they could budget for a grant writer.

Dan Predpall noted it would depend on who the grant is for and that would be who has to write the grant. He spoke of traffic signs to calm traffic for next summer to slow down the traffic.

Commission discussed budgeting for fees for travel, copying, and mailing of the Town Plan.

Dan Predpall suggested the Commission think about what dollars were needed for 2018.

Commission discussed 'Maps: Existing and Needed'. They reviewed the two current maps the Planning Commission has.

Dan Predpall inquired if they needed a new aerial photograph of the Town.

Christine Armstrong wondered if they could include that in the Town Plan.

Ellen Celnik suggested to budget for maps. She inquired if there were maps of new structures.

Dan Predpall suggested they call Alison Low of NVDA to see if there were maps available of new structures.

David Miltenberger wondered if there was information at Town Hall on new structures.

Christine Armstrong noted NVDA has that information.

Dan Predpall discussed Act 174 data which collected lots of information. He noted they could put in for five or six maps depending on their cost. He discussed Compliance with 24 VSA Para.4302 and noted it was a detailed and direct statement regarding what they should put in the Town Plan. It is a useful document which the Planning Commission needs to comply with to write the new Town Plan.

Commission discussed open seat on Planning Commission and thought they should ask members of the DRB.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at the Library.

Meeting Adjourned 6:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Audrey DeProspero, Zoning Administrator