

Shrewsbury Planning Commission  
**MINUTES**  
November 23, 2021  
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.  
Meeting will be held at Shrewsbury Town Office

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7:00 to 7:15 p.m.            Open to public input

Following public input:

1. Call to order  
Meeting called to order at 7:07  
Attendees: Laura Black, Hunter Berryhill, Melissa Reichert and Ryan Fitzbeauchamp.
2. Approval of agenda, review and/or revision  
Agenda approved as presented.
3. Rounds and mail (SPC members' updates and review PC mail received).  
Melissa described the Forest Block and Wildlife Connectivity webinar that she attended showing Biofinder wildlife layers including Forest Blocks and Riparian Connectivity. The second part showed the Community Value mapping that Fish and Wildlife is helping towns conduct. The values mapped include wildlife, forests, recreation, scenic, historic and economic features.  
Laura described the Rutland Regional Planning Commission meeting; there is money for South Lake Champlain Clean Watershed Project, Rutland Regional will be doing a new Regional Plan next year, Mendon is working on an enhanced energy plan, Poultney is working on a Town Plan and an Enhanced energy plan.  
Laura heard back from Adrienne Raymond on short-term vacation type rentals, she suggested registration of these places with the Selectboard as a way to start. We do not know how many short-term rentals there are in Shrewsbury. The concern is if local people are being priced out of the rentals market by vacation rentals.
4. Acceptance of meeting minutes of November 9, 2021.  
Meeting minutes were accepted as written.
5. Flood Hazard Regs information from Rutland Regional Planning Commission  
Laura contacted Barbara Noyes Pulling about our questions. The number 5 item (Improvement to Existing Structures That Decrease Pre-Existing Distance to Waterway) is only in the WRC version. Maybe we should delete it from the table. There is a diagram for the River Corridor in our definitions that is outdated. The ANR model has a different diagram – Melissa will replace the one in the Draft Flood Hazard Bylaw. Laura asked if we should send the draft to Adrienne Raymond, the DRB and the Selectboard for an initial review. Laura will write a cover letter with the reasons that the River Corridor Bylaw is important.

6. Stream Setback language

We started to review Laura's notes on the stream setbacks and will continue the review at the next meeting.

7. Meadowland Overlay – Tabled to next meeting

Next meeting December 14.

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Planning Commission, Chair

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Date