

Shrewsbury Planning Commission
MINUTES
August 11, 2026
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
Shrewsbury Town Office
9823 Cold River Rd., Shrewsbury VT

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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 7:12
Attendees: Laura Black, Conner Self, and Melissa Reichert
2. Approval of agenda, review and/or revision
Agenda approved as presented.
3. Rounds and mail (SPC members' updates and review PC mail received)
Laura met with a perspective new planning commission member.
4. Acceptance of meeting minutes of July 14, 2026.
Meeting minutes accepted as written.
5. 2027 Town Plan work: Review and discuss information and sections on:
 - Purpose and General Aims
We reviewed the purpose, and will add goals and delete objectives. Laura will work on paragraph 4 to describe more accurately the changes in wastewater technology and regulations as well as add information on legislation that allows increased densities for development. Sean added the legal requirements section and Laura will send it out. In the Goals combine 1 and 5 and have a separate one for sense of community. Delete agriculture and forestry from Goal 4 – it is already in Goal 6. Write and better Goal 4 for natural resources, possibly with a separate goal for water quality. Melissa suggested a flood resilience goal from Two Rivers Ottaquechee Regional plan. She will send the proposed goal to Laura. We will review goals again when Laura does some more work on them and looks at other town's goals for suggestions.
 - Land Use Preservation and Resource Protection
We reviewed these sections and removed sentences that sounded too much like Zoning. Melissa will review again for Zoning language and remove it or rewrite it. We discussed the land use outline and we want to have Existing Land Use and Future Land Use.
 - Air_Night Sky –
We reviewed the update of this section and it was fine.
 - Other

We discussed photos. We will make a separate list of photos we want and put it in drop box. Laura will start this.

6. To do list review – same list as before
 - Town Plan Maps discussion – see 11/12/24 minutes
 - Meadowlands review - proceed per 10/08/24 notes

Next meeting, August 25, no meeting September 8 since Conner will be away.

7. Adjourn

Planning Commission, Chair

Date