

Shrewsbury Planning Commission
MINUTES
August 25, 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 7:10
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)
Conner met with Sean about the maps.
4. Acceptance of meeting minutes of August 11, 2026.
Meeting minutes accepted as written.
5. 2027 Town Plan work: Review and discuss information and sections on:
 - Updated layout from Sean (RRPC) and Outline – Laura told Sean to keep Sections within Chapters in the order that we wrote them.
 - Sections to review –
 - Goals – We reviewed the goals and made some changes. Melissa suggested a goal for economics. She will send it to Laura.
 - Legal & Procedural – we reviewed this section and accepted it as is.
 - NR Intro – we may not need to use this since it is covered in other sections. It is fine as it is written if we want to use it.
 - Geology – We reviewed geology, some of the references are repetitive and should be deleted. Some additional information is needed and there are some formatting changes such as the first paragraph being a sidebar.
 - Housing – not ready to review
 - Utilities – We reviewed utilities and made a few changes. Melissa asked Rebecca Rice about the Cuttingsville Fire District map and Rebecca was going to check on it. Conner suggested we have a sidebar on what is a fire District. Laura will do the sidebar. We need to look at shared wastewater systems and may need to change the wording to community system.
 - Energy – not ready to review

- Discuss Future Land Use section – We discussed the need for more information on the wildlife crossing and habitat connection areas. We need to get maps with the wildlife crossing data layer. Melissa also wants the focus area map from Jens Hilke’s presentation. Melissa will take a screen shot and send it to Conner so he can share it with Sean. We also want to discuss the possibility of adding Shrewsbury Center as a village area for the future.
- Photos
- Town Plan Maps – Conner met with Sean about the maps. He shared that we liked Mount Holly’s maps and Rutland Regional did not create those maps so we will try and find out who did the maps.
- Laura will ask Sean to draft the last three sections, and to have a table of the Actions in the plan for the Implementation section.

6. To do list review – same list as before

- Meadowlands review - proceed per 10/08/24 notes

Next meeting, September 22, 2026 – Conner will not be here so we will meet Sept 17, 2026 instead.

7. Adjourn

Planning Commission, Chair

Date