

Shrewsbury Planning Commission
MINUTES
September 29, 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 7:03
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)
Nothing for rounds.
4. Acceptance of meeting minutes of September 17, 2026.
Meeting minutes accepted as written.
5. 2027 Town Plan work: Review and discuss information and sections on:
 - Sections to review:
 - Housing – We discussed the statement about Shrewsbury being a rural residential community being against the goals of the Town Plan. This language could be changed to be more specific. We suggested using the language in the Goals to be more specific. The sentence on camps could be expanded to include their conversion to year-round residences which is a concern. The paragraph on Rutland Regional Planning Commission's (RRPC) housing needs mid-point target needs further explanation. Melissa suggested deleting policy 2 and 3 as they are covered in Actions. Conner suggested that Policy 6 is also an Action.
 - Economy – We suggested adding Inns to recreation and Tourism, and that the AT/LT and winter trails contribute somewhat to the local economy. Also add Open Studio and the draw of the town for fall foliage to tourism. Laura is working with Sean to get the data for inflow and outflow of workers. Policy 4 will be moved to Actions.
 - Education, Climate and Flood Resilience – tabled to next meeting
 - How to make edits to the document – We will each edit our own sections with information from Sean. We need to download the document then date it and initial it and put it back on drop box. Only one person can edit at a time. This requires communication when one is going to edit.
 - How to approach future land use

We will all look at different land use sections from different towns and come to the next meeting with notes and ideas from what we have reviewed.

- Town Plan Maps – tabled to next meeting

Laura is sending and printing the Policies and Actions for Natural Resources sections for us to review and look for duplication. Laura will send options for scheduling an additional meeting for the week of Oct 5

6. To do list review – same list as before
 - Meadowlands review - proceed per 10/08/24 notes

Next meeting, October 13, 2026 and possibly the week of October 5 date to be determined.

7. Adjourn

Planning Commission, Chair

Date