Shrewsbury Planning Commission
**MINUTES**
October 20, 2026
5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Shrewsbury Town Office
9823 Cold River Rd., Shrewsbury VT

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5:00 to 5:15 p.m. Open to public input

Following public input:

1. Call to order
   Meeting called to order at 5:12
   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)
   No rounds

4. Acceptance of meeting minutes of October 13, 2026.
   Meeting minutes accepted as written.

5. 2027 Town Plan work: Review and discuss information and sections on:
   - Future Land Use discussion
     We reviewed Laura and Melissa's notes. Melissa noted that Hinesburg discusses existing land use and then right after discusses changes that might be occurring in the future land use. Laura noted that plans describe the land use districts as being the basis for zoning. Conner noted many of the plans did not have existing land use, they only describe the future land use. We discussed the issues and the idea of having housing stripped along the roads and maybe adding development that moves away from the roads in small common roads or cul de sacs. We discussed the possibility of Village Designation Program and adding that to the future land use village discussion. Laura suggested a short description of the program. We should look at including riparian areas in the wildlife corridors as well as adding areas from the Shrewsbury road crossing inventory. We should include a discussion of the meadowlands and how they are maintained, and adjusting the meadowlands map to include Ag soils. Conner raised a concern that the existing land use section is not all together as one section yet. Laura said Sean is to get us a new draft tomorrow. The one that is on Dropbox is an old version. Melissa will do a draft of future land sue for review next meeting.
   - Edited Policies and Actions - (from Natural Resources and Land Use)
     We reviewed the revised Natural Resources Policies and Actions. Some policies were changed to actions and repeated actions and were removed.

- Town Plan Maps – we did not have hard copies to look at we will do a thorough review at the next meeting.
- Review schedule - (need to write the Report!)
- Photos – assign contacts – table to next meeting

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

   Next regularly scheduled meeting, October 27, 2026

7. Adjourn

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Planning Commission, Chair Date