

DRAFT MINUTES
PLANNING COMMISSION
Tues, March 18, 2024 7:00 PM

Via Zoom

Present: Doug Morton, Katherine Siner, Marilyn Magnus, Anna Rubin, Bob Hansen (Zoning Administrator)

Anna called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Minutes of the February meeting were approved.

Planning Commission members welcomed Doug Morton. We discussed how this commission operates and what can be achieved. Doug is familiar with the structure of the commission and brings knowledge from his work on transportation issues with our regional planning organization, Northeastern Vermont Development Association.

We discussed goals for the coming 12 months, including:

- Land use: what can the PC do to align Peacham's bylaws more closely with the vision of the most recent Town Plan?
- Transportation: are there ways to bring more transportation options into Peacham?
- Short-term housing: should the PC take an inventory of short-term housing properties? How are these properties affecting the town's population and housing availability?
- School building: what will happen to this asset under new state education guidelines?
- Sub-standard infrastructure: how can the PC work with our Selectboard to assess storm water on town roads, culverts, floodplains?
- Outreach and communication: what can the PC do to engage more people? Proposal to set up a table at the Farmer's Market to invite conversations.
- Town Plan: need to review and update, possibly in 2026.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.