

Minutes of the St. Albans City Planning Commission

St. Albans City Hall

100 North Main Street St. Albans, VT

Meeting Date April 18, 2016

Approved May 16, 2016

Planning Commission Members

	present	absent
David Barber, Chair	x	
Jackie DesLauriers, V. Chair		x
Michael Gawne	x	
Stan Bradeen	x	
Tom Murphy	x	
Amy Paradis, Alt	x	

Staff Present

Chip Sawyer, Director of Planning & Development

Robin Morrill, Minute Taker

Curtis Comfort –Tree Warden

Public Present

Amanda Holland, Chris Dermody

AGENDA

1. Open Meeting - Meeting called to order at 6:00p.m. by David Barber, Chair.

a. Discuss additions or deletions to agenda. D&V Discuss Stebbins Street.

2. Consultation with NW Regional Planning Commission NRCP Amanda Holland reviewed the following sections of the NRCP enhanced Consultation Report. Major Findings strengths& weaknesses, Opportunities, (pointing out local resources, with a brief discussion on Aldis Hill following), Local Planning Needs, Plan Implementation, NRPC Support and Local/Regional Issues. There were brief discussions between Board members and Ms. Holland on several topics contained in the report as they were being reviewed.

3. Presentation of City tree inventory –Tree Warden Curtis Comfort presented and reviewed the findings of the St. Albans public Tree Inventory which was conducted by CR DPR State Lands Foresters and VT UCF staff and interns in the summer of 2015. There were brief discussions between the Board and Mr. Comfort on several topics contained in this report as they were being reviewed. D. Barber suggested additional plantings on streets that were not included in the proposed plantings sheet of the report.

4. Discuss draft Design Review rules – **Item Tabled by Chair D. Barber**

5. CityPlan discussion on neighborhoods- **Item Tabled by Chair D. Barber**

6. Other Business

a. Planning & Development Update- proposed C. Sawyer reviewed the bulleted items in a memorandum dated April 15, 2016 to the St. Albans City Council regarding the update on proposed amendments to the City Ordinances for greenbelts and sidewalks. Discussion among board members included descriptions of scenarios that pertain to enforcement of the greenbelt parking ordinance.

b. Approval of Minutes

Motion by to approve the minutes of March 21, 2016 by Michael Gawne second, by Amy Paradis, with three in favor and Tom Murphy abstained.

c. Other

7. Public Comment- No public comment

8. Adourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:11 p.m. by Michael Gawne, second by Stan Bradeen, with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Morrill

Minute Taker