

MEETING MINUTES
ST. ALBANS CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING – SPECIAL LOCATION
BARLOW STREET CENTER,
CORNER OF BARLOW AND UPPER WELDEN STREET
6:00 PM MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

Approved July 17, 2017

Board Members Present:

David Barber, Chair
Amy Paradis
Stan Bradeen
Michael Gawne
Luke Richter

Public Present:

See attached sign-in sheet

Staff Present:

Chip Sawyer, Director of Planning & Development
Desiree Gunter, Minute Taker

AGENDA

1. Open Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm by Chair D.Barber.

- a. Discuss additions or deletions to agenda

C. Sawyer introduced D. Gunter as new minute taker. Board introductions. L. Raymond asked for site walk. D. Flood gave permission to go on his property.

C. Sawyer explained Planning Commission drafted city plan, and it's in hands of city council.

Interest in Stevens Brook, the City is operating under permit for storm water. New rules for new development stream corridor protection where there are brooks and try to limit as much of erosion as possible and run off from brook. Consultants drafted new rules. Planning commission has to fulfill requirements from state and federal government, and the restricted development from stream. In the 30 feet, nothing to be added. There is to be a vegetated buffer along every stream. David explained about 10-foot planting buffer.

S. Bradeen talked about erosion factor.

D. Barber talked about city having to pay for storm mitigation. C Sawyer explained about separating storm drains and sewer and treat water before it gets to brooks. SAC was given goals to reduce and divert water and remove phosphorus before it gets into bay. Bridget Butler talked about planning commission meeting and wanted to invite public to meeting on June 28th. C Sawyer directed public to <http://www.stalbansvt.com/stormwater> for news and updates.

C. Sawyer suggested we take concerns from people not going on the walk.

City Council gets two months to decide once rules are drafted. May have it to council by Oct./Nov. David talked about adding that there would be a rule that residents would have two construction seasons to be in compliance.

C. McNally at 42 Barlow St. talked about issue with her driveway. Michael said that he visited her about the parking area in front of her residence. B Coolum talked asked why she couldn't park in her yard on 33 Barlow. C Sawyer said that front and side setback are protected from development and that includes parking. D. Barber talked about adverse effects of parking in yard, creates run off and soil compaction. There is a parking exception for one-time events, such as celebrations. Michael talked about houses being built before there were cars which might limit where cars can park and looking at accommodations P. Breen talked about while parking in allowed on U. Welden St and brought up safety issues. Stan talked about parking needs versus ordinances. C Sawyer talked about dealing with solution on case by case basis. C. Sawyer explained that brook is being regulated by city but brook is owned by property owners.

2. Site walk of surrounding neighborhood

Board and public departed for walk at 6:41pm.

3. Return to Barlow St. Ctr.

Board and public returned from walk at 7:55pm.

4. Approval of Minutes

M. Gawne made a motion to approve the May 15, 2017 minutes as presented. Second by A.Paradis and approved with all in favor.

5. Discuss potential bylaw revisions

Revisions will be discussed at next meeting. C. Sawyer will send a copy of bylaw revisions to public in attendance.

6. Other Business.

S. Bradeen may not make next meeting. L. Richter may not be able to. Board members will update Chip on attendance.

a. *CityPlan* update

First City Council hearing to be held on July 10.

b. Planning & Development Update
No update.

7. Public Comment.

J Begnoche is concerned about speed and parking on Rugg St.. Furniture on Rugg Street. Concerned about fence reconstructed, ever presence of garbage can on greenbelt.

R. Pfeiffer made maps to review at next meeting. R. Pfeiffer brought up speed and traffic concerns in her ward.

C Sawyer gave updates on paving in city.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14pm.

parking -
one way street
speed -

"free" items
left on lawns

fence too close

garbage cans

Dan Keough

735-3089

owner of house

- picket fence -

Jeanne
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THANK YOU FOR COMING. PLEASE SIGN IN.

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