

Town of Benson

PLANNING COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

Minutes from Planning Commission meeting held on October 1, 2025

Present: Cheryl Murray, Ted Kellogg, Jean Sebastien-Valois, Steve Murray

Absent: Brad Barrett

Others Present: Sean Beatty, RRPC

Meeting was called to order by Cheryl Murray at 6:10 pm.

No public comment.

Motion to approve the agenda by Jean, second by Steve. Motion carries.

Motion by Jean to approve the minutes of 10/1/2025, second by Steve. Approved.

Work continued on revisions to the town plan, with input from Sean Beatty (RRPC). We looked at potential dates for the Planning Commission hearing, and also conflicts that may occur with the Select Board holding its hearing. We made the decision that because of when the Select Board meets, it didn't make sense to push to get our hearing done early enough in order to not let the current town plan expire. Sean explained that several towns have been in that position, and there is no long-term harm in letting it expire and adopting a "new" plan versus revising the old one. Because some of our time was taken up with zoning fee adjustments, we ended up a month behind our original timeline.

We went over the revisions provided by Sean, and also updates received regarding town sewer plant and rescue/fire departments, among others.

Cheryl will get on the select board agenda for October to update them on the timeline and our efforts.

Our next meeting date will be October 22nd at 5:30 p.m. Jean made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Cheryl Murray, Clerk, Town of Benson Planning Commission.