

Royalton Planning Commission

July 19, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm

Members present: Geo Honigford-Chair, Stuart Levasseur, Sarah Danley, Bushrod Powers, Peter Anderson, David Brandau, Patrick Dakin,

Absent: Roni Johnson, Nell Gwin

Chairman Geo Honigford called for approval of the minutes of previous meetings as posted on the town website. Bushrod Powers moved the motion and it was seconded by David brandau, motion passed with no opposition.

Discussion ensued about recent election of officers and the position of representative to the TRORC board, David Brandau advised the Commission that he had recently been appointed a position on the executive committee and that although the RPC may have elected others to fill the position the appointment comes from the Selectboard. Patrick Dakin opted to refuse the nomination as representative to the TRORC. Patrick Dakin made a motion to revert the roles for representative, and alternate to their previous appointees. David Brandau and Bushrod Powers. Motion seconded by Sarah Danley, Motion carried.

Geo Honigford started a discussion about long term goals and the Commission identified the following goals for future work:

Subdivision Ordinance

Class 4 Roads/Recreational trails

Bylaws for Flood Hazard Review

Capital Budget

River Access (facing the river)

Message Board for the Green

Of the topics identified, subdivision Ordinance and flood Hazard review reached the top of the list, followed third by Class 4 roads. Capital budget was identified as being more appropriate to pass to the Selectboard, River Access would be appropriate to be handled by Recreation.

Upcoming Act250 hearing on Dollar General store to be built at the Aubuchon Hardware site was discussed. The RPC is considering if the presence of a Dollar General would have an adverse effect on the village center, Also discussed was traffic flow on Route 14 and if a traffic study was called for. Would a turn lane be called for on Route 14?, lighting issues, and aesthetics. It was noted that RPC should be at the hearing, and be ready to emphasize the points in the town plan that would apply,

including vernacular building style, and business impact. It was decided that RPC should poll business owners in and around Royalton on the potential impact.

ATV meeting, the Selectboard will be holding a public meeting on the proposed ATV ordinance on Tuesday August 2nd, The RPC would like a representative present at the meeting to state the RPC's position, Stuart Levasseur prepared a summary of the Committee's position. David Brandau moved to accept the summary, Bushrod Powers seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Safford Street Underpass Art Project. Sarah Danly updated the Commission on the Art Project, the crowd funding is underway roughly 1/3 of the way to the \$8000 goal. The website

https://www.patronicity.com/project/soro_underpass_art#!/

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Meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Stuart Levasseur - Clerk