

Shaftsbury Planning Commission
April 9, 2019

The meeting came to order at 6 p.m. Present were commissioners Chris Williams (chair), Mike Foley, and Mike Cichanowski. Select Board chair Tim Scoggins and zoning administrator Shelly Stiles were also present.

Mr. Cichanowski moved to approve the March 26 minutes. Mr. Foley seconded the motion, which passed 3-0-0.

Town Plan revision

- Mr. Scoggins will draft an “Arts Economy” section after conferring with Julie Dixon, who is working on a regional arts economy document.
- Outstanding question: does Agriculture deserve its own chapter?
- The group discussed the draft chapter 15 presented by Mr. Williams. Mr. Scoggins thought the overview paragraph on the first page of the chapter should be moved to the Economy chapter. A more positive slant might be adopted as well.
- North Bennington and Bennington swap equipment with the town.
- Mutual aid and rescue squads are cross-town in mandate.
- Mr. Cichanowski will do a rough re-format and get the existing draft document out to all within a week. The ZA will print copies and notify commission members when they are ready for pick-up. We will send a copy to Michael Batcher at BCRC to help him prepare for a visit from Mr. Foley.
- We will need to secure new photos – of solar installations, the garage, Howard Park, farms, what else?

The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:25 p.m.