



# *City of Barre, Vermont*

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### **Planning Commission Meeting Minutes August 10, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. Council Chambers, City Hall (6 N Main St)**

A regular meeting of the Barre City Planning Commission was called to order by Commission Chair Jackie Calder at 6:30 pm at Barre City Hall. In attendance were Commissioners Dave Sichel, Jim Hart, Michael Hellein and Ken Lunde. Also in attendance were Janet Shatney, Planning Director, Heather Grandfield, Permit Administrator, and Ms. Brandy Saxton of PlaceSense. Chair Calder determined a quorum was present.

**Adjustments to the Agenda:** An adjustment was made to add the approval of last meeting’s minutes under Old Business.

**Visitors and Communications:** None.

**Old Business:** Consideration of the July 27, 2017 meeting minutes: A motion was made by Commissioner Sichel and seconded by Commissioner Hellein to approve the minutes as printed, *motion carried.*

Ms. Saxton said that the parts we have received for tonight’s review, the Subdivision and PUD draft makes the last review parts for Section 3; the PUD language is all new and based on all that we have been discussing, and said that we need to review the Administrative Section and she will have the Overlay Districts language to us and are on track as hoped.

The remainder of the Specific Use Standards was reviewed. Noted that many of these standards are new and there is no comparable language in our currently adopted zoning ordinance.

- Car wash: language that keeps them during a period of use, and not 24-hour (due to noise);
- Lawn & Garden and Lumberyard: same language but separate sections for ease of review;
- Open Market& Auction: would mean that the Farmer’s Market, if moved to a new location would then need DRB approval and a zoning permit;
- Restaurant: simple standard, added language about having a Barre City license;
- Mobile Food Service: new language for a food vending cart;

- Bar or Nightclub: simple standard, added language about having a Barre City license;
- Self-Storage Units: For the cookie-cutter type uniform buildings, standards for color, roof pitch, contents, and discussion of which zoning districts might have some but not all of the standards;
- Tank Farm or Fuel Distribution Services: language for distance from certain locations in the city;
- Communications and Antennas and Towers: all new language for the potential of a cell tower;
- Contractor's Yard: new section, to abide by erosion standards, storage contents, screening, etc.;
- Clinic or Outpatient Services: new standard to the zoning;
- Rehab or Resi Treatment Facility: new language for a facility for more than 8 people;
- Extraction and Quarrying: Comparable language to the current zoning with added;
- On Farm Business: while there are no working farms currently in Barre, should one go back into operation, this would allow for a natural extension of business of the farm.

The Subdivision text was reviewed with Ms. Saxton giving the highlights of the changes, where we will be able to review in closer detail once the full first draft is out.

**New Business:** None.

**Other Business:** Commissioner Hellein reminded us to be sure we review and revisit the districts again once we have the first full set of strike-out comments to review.

The next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday September 14<sup>th</sup> in Council Chambers where we will discuss the new PUD language that was sent out on August 10, 2017.

**Roundtable:** None.

Motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm was made by Commissioner Hellein, and seconded by Commissioner Lunde, *motion carried*.

There is no audio recording of this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Janet E. Shatney, Director