

# Town of Hinesburg - Planning Commission

June 1, 2016

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Members Present: Joe Iadanza, Maggie Gordon, Dennis Place, James Donegan, Russell Fox, Rolf Kielman.

Members Absent: Jeff French, two vacancies.

Also present: Alex Weinhagen (Director of Planning & Zoning), Bill Marks, Chuck Reiss.

Joe I. chaired the meeting, which was called to order at 7:40pm.

**Agenda Changes:** None.

**Public Comments for Non-agenda Items:** None.

**Town Plan – Review Draft 1 – Continued from 4/27, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25 mtgs:**

Bill Marks noted the written feedback from the Conservation Commission that he emailed Alex on 5/31/16 regarding chapter 8 of the draft Town Plan and Appendix D (Economic Development action item 23.2). Bill reiterated his suggestions about the Town taking an advisory role in the Public Service Board's review of solar arrays. Bill indicated that the Conservation Commission had discussed this at their May 31 meeting. Beyond the written comments, Bill said the Conservation Commission feels the Town Plan should recognize and give scrutiny to commercial solar arrays of any size, including those less than 150kw. He said the Conservation Commission would also like to be involved in future discussions of solar array proposals that the Town receives notice about.

The Commission continued its page by page review of draft 1 of the new Town Plan, beginning with Chapter 7 – Transportation. Various specific suggestions were made for revisions – both substantive as well as typographical and grammatical. Chuck Reiss participated in the review of Chapter 8 (Energy) on behalf of the Energy Committee that had helped draft this chapter. Alex took notes on the proposed changes. The Commission made it through the end of Chapter 8, and will continue the review with Chapter 9 at the June 8 meeting. No formal actions were taken.

**Other Business:** Alex announced that Freeda Powers resigned as Recording Secretary, and that he will take meeting minutes until a replacement is found.

The meeting adjourned at 9:51pm

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Weinhagen, Director of Planning & Zoning