

Townshend Planning Commission
Minutes
September 11, 2019

Present: John Evans, Liza Martin, Brandon Canevari, and Andrew Snelling
also present: Linda Sperry

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Evans called the meeting to order at 7:22 p.m.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Canevari moved to approve the August 28, 2019 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Evans and carried unanimously.
3. **Additions and Deletions:** none
4. **Members of the Public:** Linda Sperry expressed an interest in the Village Center Designation (VCD) with regards to the Townshend Church. Canevari explained the process of VCD and listed some of the potential benefits available through the program. There was a discussion about the current community activities associated with the church and potential future revitalization activities, which might relate to the VCD application.
5. **Correspondence:** none
6. **Old Business:**
Village Center Designation: Canevari reported on the status of the VCD application. He stated that we are on track to send in the application for either the October or November meeting of the DHCD Downtown Board. The boundary map for the Village Center is complete and Richard Amore has already seen it. Canevari said that he will mail out the required notice letters to Windham Regional Commission and Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation. The Commission should be able to review the final application at the next meeting.

Act 174: The Commissioners discussed the potential effects of various forms of alternate energy generation and possible policies, such as screening and setbacks, which would limit the impact on the town.
7. **New Business:** none
8. **Other Business:** none
9. **Meeting Schedule:** Regular Meeting: September 25, 2019 @ 7:15 p.m.
Regular Meeting: October 9, 2019 @ 7:15 p.m.

10. **Adjournment:** Canevari made a motion, seconded by Evans, to adjourn at 8:42 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrew Snelling