

WATERBURY PLANNING COMMISSION UNAPPROVED MINUTES

**Monday, April 28, 2025
6:00 P.M.**

Meeting convenes. Meeting is held in-person in the Steele Room at the Waterbury Municipal Center located at 28 N. Main St., or by zoom with the link below.

Agenda review and possible modifications

Announcements and General public comments

Approval of April 14, 2025 Minutes

The minutes were approved as modified Dana #1, Robbie Adler #2.

Motion passed 4-0.

Tri-town Neighborhood Development Area.

Karen from Moretown opened the discussion about a Tri-town Neighborhood Development Area (NDA). The chair of the Moretown PC has discussed an extension of the wastewater system from Waterbury into Moretown, south of the railroad tracks and east of Batchelder Street. This area encompasses Duxbury, Moretown and Waterbury. The discussion began with getting wastewater paid for by the “Neighborhood Development Area” funds. EFUD has wastewater capacity, so preliminary discussions began with EFUD to discuss a potential expansion of the system. A wastewater system in the tri-town NDA could promote higher residential housing densities.

The PC asked Niki Sabado from CVRPC what the biggest help that the Waterbury PC can offer Moretown and Duxbury. She said that the application would be part of the Complete Streets program. As part of the requirements of the NDA, the existing bylaws should be compliant with State standards for Floodplain Development as well. This is evolving with the Flood Safety Act.

The PC asked if they had spoken to EFUD about this proposal. They had initial discussions years ago with EFUD. If the extension is completed, would the existing residents in Moretown be required to connect to the system. The chair responded that nobody would be required to connect to the system. The PC advised them to talk to EFUD, since they are the decision-making body.

Dana Allen made a motion was made to support Duxbury and Moretown to continue conversations about the proposal regarding the tri-town NDA.

It was seconded by Billy Vigdor. Motion approved 4-0.

Municipal Plan Update Tasks:

Next steps: Data analysis of visioning session results

The preliminary data from the visioning sessions were dropped into AI. The PC briefly reviewed it.

Vision Statement discussion

The PC generally discussed how they will get to a vision statement for the town plan update. Dana Allen will continue to compile the community assessment data that has been collected so far to assist in synthesizing the data to produce a visioning statement.

The PC discussed inviting back the specific groups that assisted so far on their thoughts on the PC's draft vision statement to get their reactions to get to goals and objectives. The word can be distributed publicly to encourage public input on specific chapters.

Discussion re: 4/29/25 Visioning Session Preparation. The PC reviewed plans for the final visioning session, held in the Steele Room.

Vermont Open Meeting Law Guidance: The PC had reviewed the guidance published by VLCT. They confirmed that they are following the Vermont Open Meeting Law requirements.

8:00 p.m. Adjournment