

# BARRE TOWN PLANNING COMMISSION

## MINUTES FOR APRIL 3, 2019

The Town of Barre Planning Commission held a special meeting on **Wednesday, April 3, 2019** beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the **Municipal Building**, 149 Websterville Road.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

George Clain, Debra Pierce, Cedric Sanborn (Chair), Chris Violette

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Byron Atwood, Claire Duke, Charles Thygesen, Sr.

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

N/A

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

N/A

### Agenda Item 1 - **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

Mr. Sanborn asked if there were any changes to the agenda; there were none.

### Agenda Item 2 - **ENHANCED ENERGY PLAN**

#### **Comments:**

Mr. Sanborn referenced the draft Energy Plan and proceeded with review/revisions from the last meeting. Mr. Clain mentioned several changes referencing “Barre Town” versus “the region”, “any”, or “statewide”. He also suggested “Shared Use Path” in the Bicycle section to align with “bike paths” supporting different uses. Mr. Sanborn suggested formatting changes (bullets to paragraphs), “charging” stations versus “recharging”, similar paragraphs regarding transportation containing redundant language, and battery storage and exactly what that entails. The members held further discussion on battery storage and will defer to the Regional Commission exactly how it should be captured in the Energy Plan. Updates to Chart 11 were reviewed pertaining to solar megawatt hours. Mr. Violette provided 34 x 24 Maps as referenced in Appendix B – Local Resource Maps. The members reviewed the maps in detail consisting of wildlife habitat, deer wintering, vernal pools confirmed and unconfirmed, and wetlands class I & II. They also discussed the possibility of including a bear habitat identification map.

Upcoming meeting dates were discussed for the Regional Planning Committee to meet with the Planning Commission. Mr. Violette will offer meeting dates that include Mr. Clain’s availability.

***Mr. Clain made a MOTION to send the draft Enhanced Energy Plan to the Regional Planning Committee for review. Ms. Pierce seconded the motion, all were in favor and voted unanimously. The MOTION was amended by Mr. Clain to include revisions to the plan by Mr. Violette, as previously discussed. Ms. Pierce seconded, all were in favor and voted unanimously.***

### Agenda Item 3 - **OTHER**

No other items for discussion.

### Agenda Item 4 - **ROUND TABLE**

No other items for discussion.

### Agenda Item 5 - **ADJOURN**

*A MOTION was made by Mr. Violette to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m., seconded by Mr. Sanborn and so voted unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Violette

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Cedric Sanborn, Chair

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George Clain

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Debra Pierce

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