

**TOWN OF SHELBURNE
SELECTBOARD
MINUTES
September 28, 2021**

***Hybrid meeting held via teleconference and in-person.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Ashooh (Chair), Kate Lalley, Luce Hillman, Cate Cross.

ADMINISTRATION: Lee Krohn, Town Manager; Peter Frankenburg, Finance Director; Diana Vachon, Town Clerk.

OTHERS PRESENT: Members of the public participating in the meeting included Claire Prosawski, Dorothea Penar, Don Porter, Jeanne Lamell, Paul Mayer, Rosalyn Graham, Jane & Tom Zenaty, Mary Kehoe, David Webster, Steve Baietti, Barbara Johnson, Susan McLellan, Suzi Wizowaty, Chris Kent, Lou Smith, Karen McAllister, Nancy Badami, Chris Badami, Adele Gravitz, Ann Hogan, Sean MacFaden, Matthew Smith, Tracey Beaudin, Andrea's iPad, Ellen Gurwitz, Roger Howland, Robert Glover, Casey McNeil, Helen C, Holly Brough, Nicole Cate, Nane Doll-Peyron, Stephen Kendall, Mark Sammut, Ted Grozier, Gail & Ken Albert, Kevin, Elizabeth Chant, Marc Vincent, Pam, Donna Fialkoff, Allyson Myers, Christine Haines, Gregory Doremus, Linda's iPad, Jan Nicklas, Tom Denenberg, Lee Suskin, iPhone, Fab Boisvert-DeFazio, Jimby, Pam B, Helen C, Frederic Lowen, Scooter Mac Millan, Sherry, Erika Lea, Anne Bentley, Marc Pennington, Dan York, Connie Richards, Shelly Crombach, Sara Beeken, Tom Tompkins, Joyce George, Bill Deming, Chrislatta, John's iPad, Kit Anderson, Jason Grignon, Debbie, Michael's primary phone, Jennifer M, Media Factory

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mike Ashooh called the hybrid in-person and teleconference meeting to order at 7 PM.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

MOTION by Cate Cross, **SECOND** by Kate Lalley, to approve the agenda as presented. **VOTING: unanimous (4-0); motion carried.**

3. MINUTES

September 14, 2021

MOTION by Cate Cross, **SECOND** by Luce Hillman, to approve the minutes of 9/14/21 as presented. **VOTING: unanimous (4-0); motion carried.**

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. SELECTBOARD COMMENTS

- Cate Cross announced the Equity & Diversity Committee is interviewing applicants.
- Mike Ashooh announced Jerry Storey resigned from the Selectboard. Mr. Storey is thanked for his service to the Town. The Selectboard will appoint a new member to fill the vacancy until elections are held at Town Meeting in March 2022.

6. TOWN MANAGER REPORT/UPDATE

Lee Krohn reported:

- Thanks are extended to Jerry Storey for his time and dedication to the Town.
- Personnel news includes Rick Lewis, Water Department, stepping down and Dave DiBiase filling the position, and Ernie Goodrich stepping down after 18 years of managing the Town cemetery. We appreciate their long dedication and service.

7. FORUM: Planning/Zoning/Community Economic Development

Mike Ashooh summarized the planning and zoning and community/economic development initiative spearheaded by the town and steps taken to date including pursuing downtown designation, engaging an economic development consultant, and beginning regulatory reform.

The Chairs of Town committees and commissions gave their perspectives on the initiative. Support was voiced for the following:

- Cooperation
- Coordination
- Empathy
- Simplifying and streamlining the regulatory process
- Maintaining the rigor of the regulations
- Clearing up ambiguities
- Improving the process and procedures
- Creativity
- Connectivity
- Updating the regulations to avoid conflicts with the Town Plan
- Protecting natural resources in town
- Better engagement and citizen involvement

The Selectboard pointed out there are competing interests and proposed developments cannot satisfy them all. Compromise is needed. The Selectboard will endeavor to extract what is useful from form-based code and what will stand the test of time. The entire construct must be rethought on what the Town wants to achieve and create for the future. Careful thought is needed on how to change the rules, how to come up with an environmental plan, how to better educate on the concepts so there is a shared vision, and how to have community development be more inclusive and critical to what Shelburne is as a community.

8. MISSION STATEMENT: Community Economic Development

Further edits to the mission statement and goals were made. There was public comment urging the acknowledgement of what is possible in the village core and expanding on that. The Selectboard will review the revised mission statement and take action at the next meeting.

9. STREETLIGHT POLICY

MOTION by Kate Lalley, SECOND by Luce Hillman, to accept the updated version of the Streetlight Policy that addresses the installation and/or removal of a streetlight located within a Town highway right of way. VOTING: unanimous (4-0); motion carried.

10. PROPOSED ZONING AMENDMENTS BY PLANNING COMMISSION

MOTION by Kate Lalley, SECOND by Luce Hillman, to accept the proposed zoning amendments approved by the Shelburne Planning Commission and warn a public hearing on October 26, 2021. VOTING: unanimous (4-0); motion carried.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Cate Cross, SECOND by Kate Lalley, to adjourn the meeting. VOTING: unanimous (4-0); motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 PM

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For the Selectboard

Date