

Town of Danby
DRAFT Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2026

Town Office, Danby, VT 7:00pm

<https://www.danbyvt.org/government-information>

Zoom Meeting I.D. – 876 9010 0162

Attendees: Donny Keeler, Hilda Haines, Dana Heleba, Drea Stoddard, Janice Arnold, Dave Powers

Absent – Shelley Taylor

Public – Tracy Porter, Rick Porter, Kim Corey

Virtual – Annette Smith

- Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Drea
- Set Agenda
 - Motion to set agenda by Donny, seconded by Hilda
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Approval of previous meeting Minutes
 - Motion by Janice, seconded by Donny
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
 - none
- Organization
 - Welcome new members
 - Welcome Dana Heleba
 - Motion to appoint Shelley to chair
 - Motion by Janice, seconded by Donny
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Motion to appoint Dave Powers to vice chair
 - Motion by Hilda, seconded by Donny
 - motion passed unanimously
 - motion to appoint Drea to secretary
 - Motion by Dave, seconded by Hilda
 - motion passed unanimously
- Set meeting schedule for the year
 - Time, day, quarterly
 - Motion to set meeting for the first Wednesday of the quarter at 7pm at the town office
 - Motion by Janice seconded by Hilda
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - Motion to set quarterly dates July 1st, October 7th, January 6th
 - Motion by Donny, seconded by Dave
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - If additional meetings are necessary they will be announced as needed
- Future land use map discussion
 - Wondering why they are not going town to town again to get feedback

- That was initially done with the FLU map was first being worked on
 - A lot of changes happened after the map & plan with to the Land Use Review Board
 - The LURB
 - Appointed individuals from and by the state
 - The RRPC has been working on a new regional plan and map for years at this point
 - The LURB and 181 came about during that process
 - Added additional things to consider
 - Below is a link to the Regional Plan page and resources
 - <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/5018a6bc74d34a59aca763981e78355a>
 - Many feel that there should have been more involvement from the town since it affects everyone
 - Annette Smith
 - Very involved with following the land use review board
 - Regional plan was due to expire
 - Working to get it finalized before it expires
 - Separate from act 181 and FLU maps
 - Attended hearing hosted by RRPC along with Tom Fuller
 - Understanding that the Select Board needs to send a letter requesting map changes
 - On the agenda for Thursday's meeting
 - One of the major issues is how certain areas are mapped
 - Especially the enterprise parcel around the marble quarry
 - Maps are confusing
 - The town of Danby has its own FLU map in town plan
 - Available if anyone has any questions
 - Can try to answer them
 - Doesn't feel like it was mapped with consideration of how things actually are
- Old Business
 - Currier Memorial School community input outreach
 - Drea will send out information from previous meeting
- New Business
 - None
- Motion to adjourn 7:26pm by Janice Seconded by Donny
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted
Secretary – Drea Stoddard