

DRAFT MINUTES June 10-2025

Town of Barnet Planning Commission & Zoning Board (Board) Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date & Time: June 10, 2025, at 7 PM

Location: Town Hall – 154 Church Street, Barnet, VT 05821.

Board Members Present: Dennis McLam, Benjamin Adams, Dan Deatruck, Trent Roy, Jacob Stevenson and all attended in person.

Also Present: Dennis Marquise Zoning Administrative Officer (ZA)

Members of the Public Present: Josh Burke of 1623 US RTE 5 S

Chairman Dennis McLam called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Because of faulty equipment the meeting was not recorded. Three members were not present.

Regular Meeting

- **Agenda #1** - Edit/Approve May 13, 2025, minutes: A made a motion to accept the minutes as amended and it was seconded and accepted by unanimous consent.
- **Agenda #2** – Other Business Agenda Item: Josh Burke raised an issue about his neighbor parking a travel trailer too close to his property line. The ordinance requires a 6-foot setback. The trailer is about two feet from his property line. The Zoning Administrator said he was contacted by the neighbor asking about setbacks (after the fence was installed by Burke) and was advised accordingly about the setbacks. The Zoning Administrator said he will follow up with correspondence.
- **Agenda #3** - New Business There was a brief discussion about pushing the rewrite of the zoning bylaws forward. The Zoning Administrator indicated that would aid in that rewrite. The ZA indicated that he did have a conversation with Alison Low from the Regional Commission and she indicated that there were no grant funds available for the rewrite but that the Regional Commission would be happy to critique what the Planning Commission created. The consensus of the Commission was that the ordinance does not need many changes, but Adams said that two absent members did have a few things they would like changed/ added. The ZA said there are a few state mandates that need to be incorporated into the new document including decisions whether the town wants to adopt the model flood and river corridor ordinance protections. The ZA said he would float a copy of the model ordinance to the Commission members before the next meeting. There are state mandates involving housing that need to be considered, and the town needs to develop the subdivision portion of the ordinance to comply with state law.

- **Agenda #4** - Continuing/Other Business: NONE
- **Agenda #5** - Correspondence: NONE
- **Agenda #6** - Adjourn: McLam asked if there was any further business before the Board; all present agreed there was none. He motioned to adjourn the meeting; all present were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Draft submitted June 12, 2025, by: Dennis Marquise