

**Town of Warren  
Planning Commission  
Minutes of Meeting  
Monday May 10, 2021**

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Members Present: Camilla Behn, Mike Bridgewater, Jenny Faillace, Randy Graves, Mike Ketchel, Dan Raddock, and Jim Sanford (Chair).

Others Present: Ruth Robbins (ZA), Rod Francis (PlaceSense), Brad Long (Efficiency Vermont), Brandy Saxton (PlaceSense), and Carol Chamberlin (Recording Secretary).

Agenda:

1. Brad Long with Efficiency Vermont re: Targeted Community Program sponsored by Efficiency Vermont.
2. PlaceSense – Brandy & Rod - continued preparation for LUDR outreach
3. New/Other business

The meeting came to order at 7:34 pm.

**Efficiency Vermont (EV) Targeted Community Program**

Brad introduced the Program, which is currently in its fifth year and is now targeting towns most affected by the COVID pandemic. With the lodging, recreation, etc. industries being greatly impacted, the program has selected the Mad River Valley as one of this year's (April 2021 – March 2022) participants/recipients. The goal of EV is to help people and communities reduce energy use while increasing comfort. Aspects of this Program that aim to help reach this goal are a municipal bonus program, virtual home energy visits which include monetary incentives, and business/non-profit support in reducing energy use. The home energy visits are designed to be educational and help residents gain basic information about projects to tackle and learn about available resources.

**Planning for LUDR Outreach**

Ruth reviewed the list of tasks she will be completing related to the outreach:

- Link on Town's home page to the LUDR page
- Notice in Valley Reporter, on Town site, and Front Porch Forum
- Notices in Post Office, Library, etc.
- Print a few hard copies to have available for those that request them

Brandy clarified that these meetings are not the required public hearing, but rather informational outreach.

The logistics of running the meetings via Zoom were discussed; PlaceSense will host the meeting and direct attendees to use the Chat feature to provide questions. Rod will coordinate the questions. The Chat file will be saved. Jim will provide an introduction and some background material, then Brandy and Rod will present a brief slideshow/presentation before the meeting is open for input. The meeting will be open to all those interested in the proposed LUDR changes.

A few other to-do items were noted:

- Brandy will forward a photo to Jenny for inclusion on the posters she has developed
- Brandy will look into having the legend on the map be open automatically
- Brandy will propose language to be added regarding zooming in to find specifics
- Check to see that the most up-to-date parcel map is being used
- Brandy/Rod will compose text for a video to be created regarding rural 5-acre minimum

**New/Other Business**

Ruth reported that Margo Wade is available to attend the May 24<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss LUDR changes and the impacts to Sugarbush. It was agreed that Margo should be asked to provide a detailed list of items in advance of the meeting, to enable a more productive conversation.

Mike B. made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 26 meeting. Seconded by Mike K., all in favor.

There was some discussion regarding recent changes of use and other local development, and whether the LUDRs are being adhered to. Ruth will check on the specifics of activities at these properties.

The meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol Chamberlin, Recording Secretary

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