

**TOWN OF WARREN
PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
THURSDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2008**

Members Present: Lisa Miserendino, Don LaHaye, Jim Sanford, Craig Klofach, Mike Ketchel and Dan Raddock.

Others Present: Priscilla Robinson, Sue Carter, Alice Cheney, Marcella & Raymond Gratton, Miron Malboeuf and Ruth Robbins.

Agenda: Call the meeting to order, 7:30 pm.

1. Priscilla Robinson, Lister
2. Finalize plans for Public Forum/Meeting on November 10th
3. Review & sign minutes from October 27, 2008
4. Other business

Mr. Ketchel called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm.

The Commission reviewed and signed the minutes of the previous meeting held on October 27, 2008. The commission then asked Warren's head lister, Priscilla Robinson, to explain how one's taxes would be impacted by a change from the Warren Village Residential District to the Warren Village Commercial District. She said that there was no real simple answer. Currently the commercial market is relatively small and typically residential property in the valley garners a higher value than commercial property. That can vary by town or even by an area of town. Typically, when commercial properties surround a residential area it is considered a negative. Though most commercial properties are not keeping pace with residential properties, Mrs. Robinson did not that there had been an exception to that statement recently in Waitsfield. She also acknowledged that a property having the option to be used commercially or be further subdivided could be perceived as added value to the property.

The members spent the rest of the meeting going over assigned tasks and responsibilities for the Commission's Public Forum on November 10th. It was agreed upon that they would meet at the elementary school at six pm to get the room set up.

Mr. Ketchel adjourned the meeting at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth V. Robbins
DRB/PC Assistant

Planning Commission

Jim Sanford date

Mike Ketchel date

Craig Klofach date

Don LaHaye date

Dan Raddock date

Lisa Miserendino date