

**Town of Warren
Planning Commission
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, August 24, 2026**

Members Present:	Michelle Bennett [via Zoom], Jim Crafts, Sam Robinson, Roberta Elliott.
Staff Present:	Ruth Robbins, Zoning Administrator/Planning Coordinator
Others Present:	none

The meeting was called to order by Jim Crafts at 7:00 pm.

Agenda Changes

A possible change was shared by Ruth sharing that there was someone who might be attending who is interested in filling our last vacant PC position. (Unfortunately they were not able to join us).

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of July 27, 2026 were approved.

Public Comment

Nobody requested time to speak.

Future Land Use Map [FLUM]

The Future Land Use Map done by the CVRPC to comply with Act 181 was reviewed by the PC members. Though not exactly the same, the FLUM was created in such a way that took into account the Town's current zoning districts. Some of us thought that a "star" that signifies a Hamlet, should also be noted on the FLUM.

Central Vermont 2026 Regional Plan

CVRP is updating their Regional Plan but is focused on just updating the required statutory changes. Though a hefty document, it was commented that the size of the print made it easier to read.

Tier 1B Resolution

Ruth told the members that the Tier 1B Resolution would not meet CVRP's deadline of Friday August 28th as I could not get on the Select Board's agenda. The PC has agreed to opt-in for use of Tier 1B but in looking over the *draft sample* resolution there was some discussion as to how it was worded and what changes we might want to do. The PC will take this up at the next meeting and see about getting on the SB agenda for October 13th or 27th.

Brownfields Update

Jim has been looking into using BRELLA [*Brownfields Reuse and Environmental Liability Limitation Act*] and has submitted a legal opinion to VLCT as it may not be the Town that utilizes BRELLA but the those who are actually going to be the developers/builders. Jim will let us know what he finds at the next meeting.

Other Business

As Adam was unable at the last minute to attend the meeting, there is no updates on engineering. Jim had originally planned to share some information of the status of STRs and Granicus but asked to move that item to a future meeting. He also shared that the Select Board would like the PC to give them some input on how the Pavillion should be utilized as a public space that meets the needs of the community. A brief discussion took place and more will be discussed in future meetings.

Jim gave an update of what has been happening at the MRVPD. He reported that trail kiosks were being freshened, Franni has her Wellbeing Survey Draft Results, and Joel Rhodes gave Sugarbush's 2025/26 MOU Report.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruth Robbins, Warren Planning Coordinator