

TOWN PLAN HEARING
JAMAICA SELECTBOARD
Monday, November 13, 2017 at 6:30 P.M.
At the Jamaica Town Office Meeting Room
Minutes

Selectboard present: Paul Fraser (Chair), Andy Coyne, Judith Flower, Joel Bluming

Planning Commission present: Veda Bassett (Chair), Greg Meulemans, Rebecca Ohm, Chris Robbins

Public present: John Bennett (Windham Regional Commission), Pamela Tweedy (Minute taker)

1. Paul Fraser called the hearing to order at 6:35pm.
2. Veda Bassett, as Chair of the Planning Commission, gave a synopsis of the Town Plan adoption process. The Planning Commission received a grant and began their work in January. They held a public informational meeting during which many community members pitched in their thoughts and ideas, and the PC worked through the old plan, updating section by section. On September 25, 2017, they held their public hearing. Veda also distributed a report to the Selectboard members with an explanation of the last three changes, which are still consistent with the legislative goals. She emphasized the importance of the assistance provided by the Windham Regional Commission and particularly John Bennett during the entire process. Each member of the Selectboard praised the Planning Commission for their hard work in creating an outstanding product.
3. Paul Fraser read the public announcement of the hearing, which was posted in three locations in town and published in the October 28, 2017 issue of the Brattleboro Reformer:

Notice of Hearing

The Jamaica Selectboard will hold a public hearing regarding adoption of the proposed update to the Town Plan on Monday, November 13, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Jamaica Town Offices. The Plan pertains to all of the Town of Jamaica. The Table of Contents includes: Introduction, Community Profile, Land Use, Natural Resources, Economic Development, Potable Water Supply and Wastewater, Energy, Community Facilities and Services, Education, Housing, Transportation, Flood Resilience Plan, Town Plan Compatibility, Implementing the Town Plan, and Town Response to Vermont's Planning Goals. A full copy of the proposed Town Plan, text and maps, can be found in the Jamaica Town Office with the Town Clerk and is available to the public for review.
4. Public comment: none.
5. There being no other comments on the proposed Town Plan, the hearing was adjourned at 6:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Tweedy