



# TOWN OF ST. JOHNSBURY

Planning Commission Working Session  
St. Johnsbury, VT 05819  
Monday 12/02/2024

7:00pm Meeting, Conference Room  
**St.J. Welcome Center Meeting**  
***Minutes Working Session***

Confirm Quorum of Members Present:

Jim Brown, Chair \_\_x\_\_ Ben Copans, Vice chair \_\_x\_\_ Larry Dolan, Secretary \_\_a\_\_ Ben Deede \_\_x\_\_ Open \_\_\_\_

Others attending:

Planning Commission working session

1. Open Meeting. 7:03
2. Agenda changes. None.
3. Public Comment. None.
4. 7:03PM Town Plan 2025. Continue work on writing TP2025. Opening info. Data capture. Topic drafts. Final draft due 2/25/2025. Final approval deadline 5/07/2025. Mention was made that maybe in 2 years many parts of the TP2025 may need upgrading.
  - a. NVDA data, mostly referring to housing, place in appendix.
  - b. Education topic – acknowledgement of TP2025 contributors
  - c. Mental health in education and health. Working on Education 3<sup>rd</sup> draft.
  - d. Ben D. will do another draft of mission statement. Jim and Ben C. both did one.
  - e. Ben C. – Hazard mitigation, flood resiliency. Work with Chad, update current plan. Ben completed an initial draft.
  - f. Generate a topics and contributor table, names and status of writing.
  - g. Ben D., energy. More work on different bullets. Link to transportation
  - h. DEI – Ben D. 1<sup>st</sup> draft discussion.  
Jim will look at arts & culture, financial topics, along with land use.  
Possibly a 70 page document.  
PC asked for an update on what Matt W. is working on.
5. 8:03PM Bylaw Modernization. Further discussion. Preparation for public hearing 12/17/2024 at 6:30pm, Welcome Center.  
12/17/2024 public hearing cancelled. Not noticed in C-R 15 days in advance. New public hearing date, 1/21/2025, will be placed in the C-R by 12/30/2024.  
Nxt working session, 1/06/2025
6. Conclusions- Next activities, actions.  
Be prepared for more discussion concerning various drafts of Topics for 12/17/2024 PC regular meeting.
7. Close meeting. 8:42