

Town of Orange
Planning Commission Minutes

4:30 P.M., May 8, 2024

Meeting in Town Hall

1. Called meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. In attendance were members Eric Holmgren and Lee Cattaneo. Also in attendance were Steve Simpson and Wayne Symonds.
2. Convene public review of Final Draft Town of Orange Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update. This portion of the meeting was also attended by Ginny Raboin, Orange Town Clerk, and Sam Lash a representative of the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission (CVRPC). Sam outlined the changes to the former LHMP and the reasons for the Town to have an approved plan. Sam addressed the questions and concerns presented by those in attendance and the plan, as drafted, will be on the May 13th selectboard meeting for adoption. At 5:15 the meeting was paused until 5:30.
3. At 5:30 P.M. the meeting was re-convened as a public local concerns meeting to solicit input for the Orange Village Center Route 302 scoping study. This portion of the meeting was also attended by Andrea Day from the consulting engineer's office, Keith Cubbon (CVRPC), and public members Lee Youngman and Dan Sweeney. Andrea gave a slide presentation on the purpose of the meeting which was to develop an agreed upon understanding of the project goals and objectives. There was a general expression that the scoping study may need to expand beyond the limits of the Town office and the school in order to provide adequate warnings to motorists and that there needs to be coordination with the VTrans Route 302 rehabilitation project. This was the second of a series of meetings with the public, the next being an Alternatives Presentation meeting to be held in September.

4. Opportunity for public comment/questions. There were no additional comments or questions.
5. Approve the minutes of April 10, 2024, meeting. Eric made a motion to approve, Lee seconded, and the minutes were unanimously adopted.
6. Set date, time and agenda for next meeting. The next meeting will be June 12, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. The September public meeting for the Orange Village Center Route 302 scoping study will be scheduled in August.
7. Adjourned meeting at 6:20 p.m.