



Town of Bolton  
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**Planning Commission Meeting Minutes**

April 11, 2016  
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Planning Commission members present: Linda Baker (Chair) (via Skype), Steve Barner, Jim Bralich, Rodney Pingree and Deb Shelby

Planning Commission members absent: None

Also present: Sharon Murray (SB), Emily Nosse-Leirer (CCRPC)

Acting Clerk: Amy Grover

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**Agenda**

1. Public Comment
2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda
3. Minutes ~ March 14, 2016
4. Data
5. Goals & Objectives – People: Demographics, Education, Health, Social Services and Community Connections
6. ERC
7. Feedback on the Planning Manual
8. Request to SB – Baker Appointment
9. Meetings:  
    May 9, 2016  
    June 13, 2016
10. Other communications/mail
11. Adjournment

**Call to Order**

Linda Baker called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m.

**Agenda Item #1 ~ Public Comment**

The floor was opened to public comment. There was none.

**Agenda Item #2 ~ Additions and Deletions to the Agenda**

Addition: Meeting date change request for May, address under Agenda Item #9.

development in the flood plain, etc. to increase population density. Rephrase – “increase families with young children in town,” address how to in other sections.

- Objectives for childcare – not prohibited in regulations, remove that action.
- Community building – increase programs at Smilie, child and adult; recreation.
- Increase use of senior services – support development of Richmond Senior Center.
- Volunteerism – ways for town to promote volunteerism.
- Objective on education – look at/create opportunities for adult education.
- Increase principal amount of Wheeler Trust – cannot increase Wheeler Trust; supplement/create another fund for educational scholarships.
- Childcare – change term from “increase” to “evaluate, and if there is a need, then...”
- Sense of Community – make it stronger; “foster community” as an objective. Multiple objectives; more people to town meeting, farmer’s markets, reinstate recreation committee, host two town wide events per year, BVFD to sponsor events?

Emily Nosse-Leirer will make edits and resend. Next meeting: housing and town governance.

#### **Agenda Item #6 ~ ERC**

Deb Shelby noted the Economic Resource Committee has been approved by Select Board, a group of 10 men and women from all areas of Bolton that will meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month. The organizational meeting will be at the first official meeting. First objectives: collecting data on businesses, moving the Farmer’s Market plans forward.

#### **Agenda Item #7 ~ Feedback on the Planning Manual**

Deb Shelby is providing feedback to John directly. No other feedback at this time.

#### **Agenda Item #8 ~ Request to SB ~ Baker Appointment**

Deb Shelby made the motion that the Planning Commission makes the recommendation to the Select Board that Linda Baker be appointed to another three year term. Jim Bralich seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **Agenda Item #9 ~ Meetings**

May 9, 2016 meeting moved to May 16th.

June meeting - June 13, 2016.

#### **Agenda Item #10 ~ Other communications/mail**

- Notification from VT Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division: proposed development at 58 Millbrook Road.
- Deb Shelby: request that the Planning Commission meet with Development Review Board twice a year – add those meetings to the Town Plan governance.

#### **Agenda Item #11 ~ Adjournment**

Rodney Pingree moved that the meeting be adjourned. Steve Barner seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.