

**Town of Bennington
Planning Commission**

Monday, June 18, 2012

5:15 p.m.

**Town of Bennington Conference Room
205 South Street
Bennington, Vermont 05201**

MINUTES

Members Present: Charles Copp, Barry Horst, Donald Campbell

Also Present Jim Carroll – Select Board, Dan Monks - Planning Director, Mike Harrington – Director of Economic Development, Bill Colvin - BCIC, Jim Sullivan – BCIC, Peter Odierna – BCIC, John Shannahan – BBC, Lindy Lynch – Chamber, Jim Trimarchi – SVHC.

Meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m.

Economic Development Plan Proposal: Bill Colvin, BCRC, led a discussion regarding the development of the Economic Development Plan. Existing plans and studies were noted; indigenous assets were discussed; candidates for stakeholder interviews were suggested; the SWOT analysis was explained; and possible dates for the first public forum were discussed. The date for the next meeting was set for July 2, 2012. Bill Colvin will prepare a summary of the work the committee has agreed to complete prior to the next meeting.

Annual Consultation with BCRC: Jim Sullivan, Executive Director of BCRC, and the Planning Commission discussed the services BCRC offers to Towns, trainings the Planning Commission would find helpful, current land use issues, the status of the Town Plan and Land Use Regulations and other planning issues.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Daniel W. Monks
Planning Director