Town of Danville Planning Commission Approved Minutes Thursday, September 28, 2017 Danville Town Hall 7:30 pm

Present: Glenn Herrin, Jeff Paquet, Kate Whitehead, Vince Foy, Jill Kelleher

Jeff opened the meeting at 7:30pm

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Glenn Herrin to approve the minutes of August, motion seconded by Vince Foy. Motion carried.

Town Plan

The Danville Town Plan was adopted by the Selectboard on September 7, 2017. The Town Plan has also now received Regional Approval by NVDA. The PC will start to look at updating zoning by-laws. Feedback from NVDA included considering adding an industrial zone and exploring zoning by density. Municipal zoning regulations in Hinesburg provide examples of "zoning by density" called parcel zoning. This level of zoning creates options for working farms with larger tracts of land by allowing them to subdivide and sell a smaller portion of their land while keeping the core of their farm in tact. The group also discussed energy planning standards for municipalities and using energy ratios provided by NVDA (i.e.municipal energy use vs. energy generation) as a tool for future planning.

Subdivision Bylaws

Reviewed proposed subdivision revisions. The changes provide clarifying language for subdivision survey requirements. Suggestion was made by Glenn to edit the numbering in Section 806: Subdivisions of Land (change 860.0 to 860.1) to be consistent with the rest of the document.

Motion made by Glenn Herrin to approve the proposed subdivision revisions with changes to the numbering in section 860. Motion seconded by Kate Whitehead. Motion carried.

Jeff to submit proposed recommendations to the Selectboard.

Other Business:

Better Connections Grant Timeline and Important Dates:

October 16, 2017 Grant Announcement (to review at next meeting)

December 31, 2017 Pre-application Meeting Deadline & RPC Confirmation of Municipal Planning

Process

January 31, 2018 Application Deadline

March 2, 2018 Award Decisions Announced

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 7:30pm at the Danville Town Hall

Meeting Adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted by Kate Whitehead