

TOWN OF STAMFORD
PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
December 8, 2025
(UNAPPROVED)

Planning Commission: Peter Greenbush, Chair, Alden Finney, Lisa Gramlin, Natalie O'Neil (telephone), and Jim Stimpson.
Debra Burchard, Sheila Lawrence, Marta Miller, and Stephanie Shelburne were not present.
Visitors: Debra Righi and James Righi.

Peter Greenbush called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

HEARING OF VISITORS: None.

MINUTES:

MOTION by Lisa Gramlin to accept the regular meeting minutes of November 17, 2025 as written. SECONDED by Jim Stimpson. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

DISCUSSION:

Jim Stimpson gave an update on the progress of the subcommittee currently working on the Bylaws revisions. The subcommittee has met twice so far. They have decided to veer away from directly working on definitions they will start examining the bylaws one by one and remedying definitions as they go. They are referencing the work of other towns in Vermont to aid in this process.

There was some discussion about applying for a Municipal Grant next year to aid in the Bylaws work assuming we receive this year's grant for work on the expiring Town Plan. Jim Stimpson believes that there are grants specifically for bylaw work. Lisa Gramlin spoke with BCRC regarding the grant and learned that it has still not been awarded but is expected to be decided by next week. The Planning Commission will continue moving forward in the process of revising the Town Plan regardless of whether or not Stamford is awarded the grant.

Peter Greenbush wanted to make sure that subcommittee meetings are conducted in the same manner as a regular Planning Commission meeting regarding order.

A tentative schedule was made for the subcommittee to meet for the next four Mondays at The Center, 11am-2pm. The Planning Commission will continue its regular second Monday of the month schedule with the next meeting will be January 12th.

The Board decided to wait until there is more of a full board present to discuss a DRB (Development Review Board). Lisa Gramlin has reached out to BCRC and learned that Nick Zaiac would be our resource person regarding the pros and cons for our town. The Board will make a decision at the next meeting whether or not to invite him to speak on the topic.

Jim Stimpson expressed concerns about the playground failing inspection. It was unclear whose responsibility this is.

MOTION by Jim Stimpson to adjourn. SECONDED by Lisa Gramlin. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Lisa Gramlin

Planning Commission Clerk