

Town of Burke
212 School Street
West Burke VT 05871
Development Review Board Minutes
Community Building
April 8, 2026 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Buddy Machell, Chair, Scott Chappell, Ed Guest, Jennifer Barone, Zoning Administrator, Michael Harris, DRB Clerk, Linda Hackett-Corey.

Visitors: On Zoom, Jack Dator, Bear Path Investments, Jesse Remick from Black River Design. In person Mike Mathers.

Buddy opened meeting at 6:00 P.M.

Reorganization of the Board: Board members would like Rodney Machell (Buddy) to continue as chair, Buddy asked for a motion, Scott /Jen –All in favor – Buddy is chair. Board nominated Eleanor Kenworthy to remain as vice –chair. Buddy asked for a motion Ed/Scott-All in favor Eleanor is vice chair.

Oath was read, Buddy asked for any Disclosure of Conflicts and Ex-Parte communications. There were none
Warning was read.

All meetings are recorded.

Permit #2026-11_ Dishmill Forest Products –Owner Michael Mathers, 44 Belden Hill Road. East Burke VT, requesting a permit for 2 projects. One is to build a 40 x 40 snack bar. The snack bar with not have seating. It will have a serving window. This will replace the previous food trucks that were there in the past. He submitted a site plan showing the location of the snack bar. The Lister card for the property was presented. No interested parties were present. Letters to the abutters have been sent, a copy is in the file. He is in contact with the State of Vermont to obtain the necessary permits for the snack bar.

A permit for a 24 x 24 addition to the existing woodshed was submitted. A site plan of the woodshed was presented, Listers card is on file No Interested parties are present. The board has no other question. Buddy asked for a motion to close the hearing, Jen motioned, Scott seconded. All in favor. Hearing closed.

Applicant will be notified by certified mail of the board decision within 45 Days.

Permit # 2026-10 -Bear Path Investment Group LLC, Fall Rive MA., submitted a permit to build the last 4 Condo Unit which this project was approved by the town and state in 2008. Condo units are being built at 260 Bear Path Lane Units 19-22. Jack Dator stated that this is the last of the condo's that are planned for the Bear Path Project. There are 4 Single Family home left on this project to build in the future. Letters to the abutters have been written. Lister card of the property was presented. There were no interested parties present. The board has no other questions. Buddy asked for a motion to close the hearing, Jen motioned, Scott seconded. All in favor. Hearing closed. Applicant will be notified by certified mail of the board decisions within 45 Days.

Minutes for March 11, 2026 were reviewed Buddy asked for a motion to accept, Scott motioned Ed/ Scott seconded. Minute's approved. For March 11, 2026.

The February 11, 2026 minutes can't be approved. We need the correct members available to approve them. This will be on the May 13, 2026 agenda.

Zoning Administrator – Mike Harris gave the board a hand-out the helps explain what the Act 181 is about.

No other business, Buddy asked for a motion to adjourn Ed / Scott seconded. All in favor, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Hackett-Corey -----DRB Clerk