Town of Burke
Planning Commission Meeting
212 School Street
West Burke, Vermont 05871
November 17, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Members Present:	Jim Sullivan; Chair, Lynn Norris, Guy Herman and Nick Roosa.
Guest(s):	Mike Harris; Advisor
Jim Sullivan –	Called Meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.
Jim Sullivan -	Announced that the meeting is being recorded.
Jim Sullivan -	Asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the October 2026 meeting. Lynn Norris made the motion, Guy Herman seconded the motion. All were in favor.
Jim Sullivan-	Reminded the Planning Commission that the Regional Planning Commission Review of Municipal Plan for the Town of Burke Hearing will take place on November 24, 2026, at 6:00 PM here in the Community Room. These hearings are required by statute and the NVDA is recommending regional approval. The NVDA is also recommending Substantial Deference Certification of our energy plan. That actually comes after the regional approval from the board, which should occur on December 10th.
Mike Harris-	Brought up that some Towns along the waterways are being proactive in the restrictions for developing Data Centers. Mike suggested a question on the ballot for a moratorium on Data Centers may be a good idea. Jim and Guy said they would start to work on the verbiage. Mike also brought up another potential moratorium on short term rentals outside of the Resort Zone. This would be another question on the ballot. Guy and Jim will work on the verbiage.
Mike Harris-	Explained some ideas on getting some of the Town depressed properties cleaned up. This a problem the Town can no longer ignore. Some of these properties need serious help before they fall down. These are revitalization projects so hopefully there may be some help out there from banks, credit unions, and development corporations. More research will be done.
Other Business	There was none.
Adjourn	Jim Sullivan then asked for a motion to Adjourn. Nick made the motion. Guy seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted

Jim Sullivan
Planning Commission Chair