

Montpelier Planning Commission Meeting
March 9, 2026

Subject to review and approval

This public meeting was recorded, and the video will be available for viewing at this link:
<https://www.montpelier-vt.org/1094/CivicClerk>

Present: Maria Arsenlis, Aaron Kisicki, Gabe Lajeunesse, Leah Candland, Sean Linehan, Timothy Sinnott, Rowan Hawthorne, Michael Miller, ORCA Media (recording).

Also in attendance: Doug Zorzi, Alan Goldman

Call to order by the Chair: The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chair, Maria Arsenlis.

Approval of the agenda: Aaron suggested moving the discussion agenda to the end. Sean seconded with the change. The motion carried.

Consider minutes from February 23, 2026: Leah made a motion to approve the minutes as written, Tim seconded the motion and it carried.

Comments from the Commission: Tim mentioned that some citizens are going to City Council with concerns about the sprinklers rules. Mike explained that the Fire Marshal has determined it's a safety issue. They are not required any longer in private residences.

Leah reminded the others that there is a CCR community input session at the high school. Mike urged people to fill out the survey.

Sean urged people to review the Act 50 exemptions to compare them to a map referenced by Steven Whitaker in previous meetings. He also recommended that the other commissioners review their responsibilities as written. Maria noted that she and Aaron had talked about that and want it to put on a future agenda.

General business (comments from the public about something not on the agenda): There were no members of the public with comments in attendance.

Development of guiding principles for suggested zoning amendments: (this was moved to the end of the agenda) Leah and Gabe both had tentative wording for ideas.

Presentation from Planning Director on Country Club Road RFP responses: (this was moved ahead of the previous item) Mike showed a video that was compiled for public information and is on the city's website.

Mike reviewed the different proposals for the commissioners.

The commissioners discussed the pros and cons of each proposal. Aaron asked if the commissioners wanted to have another meeting to discuss this further. It was decided to have a meeting on Monday over Zoom, since city space is limited that night.

Initial presentation of River Hazard Area amendments: Mike had hard copies for the commissioners that he sent out in an email since it didn't make the meeting packet. There will be a public meeting about them in a few weeks, and Mike will put together a PowerPoint presentation with the details for review.

Adjournment: Sean made a motion to adjourn; there was a second and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Furry
Recording Secretary