

# Conservation Commission Regular Meeting

## MINUTES

FEBRUARY 26, 2018

4:00PM – 5:30PM

MIDDLEBURY TOWN OFFICES SMALL  
MEETING ROOM

TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly Meeting of the Middlebury Conservation Commission
NOTE TAKER	Jennifer Murray
ATTENDEES	Monica Przyperhart, Jeff Howarth, Judy Wiger-Gross (left 5:00), Andrew L'Roe, Amy Sheldon, Molly Anderson
ABSENT	Kemi Fuentes-George
STAFF	Jennifer Murray
GUESTS	None

### Agenda topics

4:00 – 4:15PM

OPENING & APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND  
AGENDA

DISCUSSION	
Minutes were tabled until next time. Jen will check open meeting law to see if we need to approve minutes, or if we can just discuss desired changes by email. Judy notes the spelling of her name will need correcting.	

4:15 – 5:15PM

DISCUSSION OF COMMUNITY VALUES  
MAPPING PROCESS

DISCUSSION	
Monica provided a presentation on the Community Values Mapping process conducted by ANR in several towns across the State, and led a discussion about what the Conservation Commission might be able to get from this process. It is a very rough tool, but is good to get some community engagement and provide us with a point of reference for work we do later on. Jeff and Amy had concerns about how useful the tool would be for directly informing future work, as it would be difficult to decipher the meaning of the community's responses. Monica and Jen believe it has value as a tool for engagement, and as a very rough sampling of people's preferences. The majority of conservation commission members were in favor of continuing to plan the project. Molly recommended that next time we figure out how to get people there and how to plan the gathering.	
CONCLUSIONS	
Proceed with planning the Community Values Mapping process, including strategies for engagement.	

5:15 – 5:30PM

OTHER BUSINESS

DISCUSSION	
Group would like to keep meetings to an hour. Next meeting 3/12 from 4-5pm.	

ADJOURNMENT	The meeting was adjourned at 5:30pm.
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