

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION

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LRPC Commissioner Meeting

Location: Gilford Public Library

Minutes of May 19, 2025

Approved June 23, 2025

Commissioners Present		Commissioners Absent	
Alexandria:	George Tuthill	Andover:	Donna Crisp Duclos
Andover:	Roland Carter	Ashland:	Mardean Badger
Barnstead:	David Kerr	Bridgewater:	Judith Faran
Belmont:	Rod Cameron	Center Harbor:	Mark Hildebrand
Bridgewater:	Ken Weidman	Danbury:	Mark Zaccaria
Bristol:	Buz Kenney	Freedom:	Mark McConkey
Danbury:	John Taylor	Gilford:	John Ayer
Franklin:	Chip Ach	Meredith:	Stephanie Maltais
	Jo Brown	Meredith:	Daniel Whitney
Hebron:	Ivan Quinchia	Moultonborough:	Celeste Burns
Laconia:	Tyler Carmichael	Northfield:	Ken Tripple
	Richard MacNeill	Ossipee:	Phil Villari
Moultonborough:	Cristina Ashjian	Plymouth:	William Bolton
New Hampton:	David Katz		Neil McIver
	Andy Anderson	Sandwich:	Maureen Westrick
Northfield:	Beth Keck	Tamworth:	Richard Doucette
Plymouth:	John Christ	Tilton:	Eric Adams
Tamworth:	Lianne Prentice		Nathan Langione
Tilton:	Jane Alden		
Wolfeboro:	Roger Murray, III		

Public: Scott Hilliard (Tilton Town Administrator).

LRPC Staff: Executive Director Shanna B. Saunders, Executive Administrative Assistant Linda Waldron.

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Katz called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and a quorum was established.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of April 28, 2025 were presented. Motion to approve the minutes was provided by Jane Alden and seconded by Jo Brown. A voice vote was taken, all present were in favor. **Motion passed.**



3. Old Business

- a. Annual Meeting Update: Executive Director Saunders provided an update on the upcoming event. She reminded the Commission that the event is scheduled for June 23rd at the Chase House in Meredith. Tickets go on sale tomorrow morning at 9 AM and are limited to 100 attendees due to venue capacity; ticket price is \$70. Guest speaker will be Pat Tarpey from the Lake Winnepesaukee Alliance. Formal invitations will be emailed next week and will include the dinner menu, a list of current sponsors, and a registration link via Eventbrite. Additionally, election ballots for Executive Board officers will be distributed to Commissioners via email. Members are asked to complete and return their ballots via email prior to the annual meeting.

The Awards Committee has reviewed all nominations, and their recommendations have been ratified by the Executive Board. Nominators of the selected awardees have been notified and asked to inform their nominees and encourage them to register for the event.

- b. Legislative Update: Executive Director Saunders noted that the current legislative session is nearing its conclusion, with voting scheduled for Thursday [May 22nd]. She emphasized a few specific bills she believes would have the most negative impact on municipalities. Those interested in monitoring these bills can visit the NH Municipal Association's bill tracker page at [NHMA Bill Tracker](#).

Additionally, Executive Director Saunders shared that several of our Executive Board members, along with herself, recently attended the Commissioners Convening, an event organized by all the State's RPCs every three to five years. The convening welcomes state agencies and federal lawmakers to provide a broad overview of governmental affairs, similar to a "state of the union" address.

4. New Business

None on the agenda, however, Executive Director Saunders advised that we are still looking for volunteers for the Brownfields Committee. She has reached out to town administrators and other folks but also asked commissioners to spread the word.

5. Presentation

This month's presentation, led by Executive Director Saunders, focused on the Housing Champion Designation. She outlined its purpose and benefits, noting that the application deadline is May 31st, though she is working to obtain a short extension. Initially, several incentives were offered to encourage applications, but those have since been removed. The presentation covered the point scoring system and provided a detailed review of each criterion, followed by a question-and-answer session. For additional details, please refer to the slide deck available on LRPC's website at <https://www.lakesrpc.nh.gov/Pages/Index/228317/commissioner-and-executive-board-meetings>.

6. General Updates/Announcements/Reminders

- a. Vice Chair Katz announced that Commissioner Phillip Villari has agreed to fill the Executive Board vacancy of Area 3 Commissioner.
- b. Vice Chair Katz also advised that Commissioner and Executive Board member Mardean Badger of Ashland will be retiring as of the conclusion of her existing term in July.

7. Commissioner Roundtable

The following Commissioners provided updates concerning activities in their communities: Ivan Quinchia (Hebron), Ken Weidman (Bridgewater), Jo Brown (Franklin), Harold Tuttle (Alexandria), Andy Anderson (New Hampton), David Katz (New Hampton), Chip Ach (Franklin), John Taylor (Danbury), Roger Murray (Wolfeboro), John Christ (Plymouth), Buz Kenney (Bristol), Tyler Carmichael (Laconia), Richard MacNeill (Laconia), Cristina



Ashjian (Moultonborough), Roland Carter (Andover), Jane Alden (Tilton), David Kerr (Barnstead) and Lianne Prentice (Tamworth).

8. Adjournment

Vice Chair Katz adjourned the meeting at 7:43 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Waldron
Executive Administrative Assistant

