

**SUNDERLAND PLANNING  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**Date:** May 8, 2013

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Date: *May 13, 2013* Time: *1:05 PM*

Attest: *Rose M. Kough*

**Board Members Present:** Roy Johnson, John Stuermer, David Kiernan, Fran Whitaker

**Others Present:** Michael Batcher (BCRC), Edward Bove

Mr. Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

**New Business**

Mr. Michael Batcher of the Bennington County Regional Commission was present. As part of the BCRC contract with the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development, the Bennington County Regional Commission is required to complete an enhanced municipal consultation review for each of the towns in Bennington County. The purpose is to consistently review town plans across regions to help towns achieve Vermont's statutory planning goals.

Mr. Batcher has reviewed the Sunderland Town Plan with respect to the applicable state statutes and in order to complete his consultation discussed the following questions with the Planning Board –

1. What are the strengths of the current plan?
2. What areas need improvement?
3. Do any specific bylaws need updating?
4. What non-regulatory programs are priorities?
5. What are the priority training needs for the Planning Board?
6. Are there any specific needs from BCRC?
7. Other issues (e.g. energy generation, emergency operations, coordination with other towns, etc.)

With no further business before the Planning Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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