

**New Haven Planning Commission - Addison County Regional Planning Commission – Local Government  
Committee Public Hearing – New Haven, Vermont**

**Monday, June 30, 2025**

Members Present: Shannon Haggett – Local Gov’t Chair, James Pulver, Jennifer Erwin

Also Present: Adam Lougee – ACRPC staff, Peggy Connor – NH Zoning Administrator, Kathy Cahill – Co-Chair NHPC

Present via ZOOM: Rob Litch – Co-Chair NHPC, Benj Putnam – NHPC, Maggie Eaton – NHPC, Bev Landon - NHPC

Shannon Haggett called the Public Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. He asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves. He then provided a brief overview of the process for the Public Hearing and for the review of New Haven’s Municipal Development Plan.

Shannon Haggett asked Adam Lougee to provide an overview of the staff review, and the process of updating the plan, which he did. It was noted that while the plan is a thorough document there are several state-required elements that are incomplete.

- 1) Inclusion of a Future Land Use Map
- 2) Clearly identifying “Forest Block” map in place of the “Habitat Map”
- 3) Inclusion of an implementation
- 4) Inclusion of a “Statement of Compatibility” with neighboring towns and the regional plan

Shannon Haggett then opened the floor for questions and discussion. Local Government Committee members, ACRPC staff and NHPC members discussed non-substantive formatting items, flood resiliency, consistency in charts, demographic trends, and recommendations on how to resolve the incomplete plan elements.

No other questions or comments were presented, and committee members expressed appreciation of the plan and of the work of the New Haven Planning Commission, and ACRPC staff.

With no other business, Shannon Haggett closed the hearing at 7:50 pm.

Adam Lougee then conducted a regional consultation regarding local planning needs, plan implementation, and ways ACRPC can help the Town of New Haven.

After the hearing closed, the Local Government Committee deliberated. Jennifer Erwin moved to recommend regional adoption of the New Haven Municipal Development Plan, conditional on New Haven successfully resolving the incomplete plan element by Town Meeting Day 2026, and to confirm New Haven’s planning process to the full ACRPC. Jim Pulver seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Shannon Haggett noted the recommendation to the full commission would occur at the next full commission meeting scheduled for July 9, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Haggett – Chair, Local Government Committee