

FINAL 2/17/25 PUBLIC FORUM MINUTES

APPROVED ON 3/2/25

On 3/3/25, Don Wells moved to approve the 2/17/25 Public Forum minutes as drafted and Julia Callan seconded. The Board unanimously approved and on 3/3/25, Melissa Manson signed the 2/17/25 Public Forum minutes as drafted and submitted them to the clerk for publication.

TOWN OF FAIRFIELD PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES PUBLIC FORUM – FAIRFIELD ELEMENTARY GYM Monday, February 17, 2025, 7:00 PM

Board Members Present: Aaron Forbes, Dan Pipes, Melissa Manson (Chair), Don Wells, Vanessa Kittell, Julia Callan, Demetrius Bolduc

Public Present: Approximately 30 members of the public attended this public forum event

The Planning Commission has been working on an update of its zoning bylaws with the goal of ensuring alignment of the Town Plan and Land Use Regulations. The primary focus is on prioritizing protection and ongoing use of agricultural lands through regulation of subdivisions and density.

NW Regional Planning, represented by Emily Kloft, presented its By-Law review presentation, a power point presentation that can be viewed at: https://www.nrpcvt.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/FairfieldZoningOutreachPresentation_2025_February.pdf

This presentation is attached.

Following presentation, Emily Kloft requested that participants break into several groups to discuss. Following discussion, NW Regional invited everyone to participate in a straw poll. This straw poll can be found at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FairfieldBylaw>
A copy of this poll is attached.

The Board seeks public participation in the straw poll through Monday, March 10, 2025.

Confirmation of Upcoming Meetings:

- a) Public Hearing, Regular Meeting, **Monday, March 3, 2025, 7:00 PM**, Town Offices
- b) Public Forum, **Tuesday, March 4, 2025, following Town Meeting, Fairfield Elem. Gymnasium**
- c) By-Law Review Planning Meeting, **Monday, March 17, 2025, 7:00 PM**, Town Offices