

**NVDA Hearing Minutes**

**Determination of Energy Compliance for  
the Municipal Plan of  
Westmore**

**Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 5:00 P.M.**

**Zoom**

Present: Alison Low, NVDA Staff; Louisa Dotoli, Westmore Planning Commission Chair

*Note: The hearing was held in accordance with 24 V.S.A. §4352. If the regional plan has received an affirmative determination of energy compliance for the regional plan, the municipal legislative body may submit its adopted municipal plan to the regional planning commission for a determination of energy compliance. The regional planning commission shall issue an affirmative determination, signed by the chair of the regional planning commission, on finding that the municipal plan meets the requirements and is consistent with the regional plan. This process includes a public hearing, warned at least 15 days out, with an electronic copy of the notice sent to the requesting community.*

*In accordance with H.681, the hearing was held via Zoom. A link and a phone number were publicized via public notice.*

The hearing opened at 5:00 p.m., and Alison explained the process for determining energy compliance of a municipal plan – which is done via staff review after a public hearing. It was noted that the Town of Westmore’s plan was already approved by the full board of NVDA, and the plan would not be need to be reconsidered for regional approval unless the approval was specifically requested by the Town of Westmore. The addition of an enhanced energy plan is considered an amendment to the plan, which had already contained some siting specifications for renewable energy generation as well as industrial-scale development. The town plan’s expiration remains the same: eight years from the date of adoption, July 8, 2018.

There were no comments received from the Town of Westmore or the general public.

The hearing closed at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Alison Low