

Town of Rutland Planning Commission Meeting-MINUTES

785 Center Rd.

October 6, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

This meeting will be held via zoom and in person at the Rutland Town Hall

Planning Commission meeting Agenda:

1. Call meeting to order. PC Chair Huycke at 6:30 pm
2. Roll Call
Bill Boerigter, Derek Nedveck, Josh Cooper, Kent Knutson, Jim Huycke and alternate Michelle Perz were present. Dawn George and Kim Sime also were in attendance. Others in attendance are on file.
3. Approval of the September meeting minutes. Cooper motioned to approve.
Second by Nedveck. MP 5-0
4. Preliminary inquiry by John Olson regarding rezoning of part of a parcel on Hwy 138 to commercial zoning (currently 2 zoning districts on one parcel.)
Discussion only. No Action Taken.
5. Discussion on creating an event permit.
Perz presented information from surrounding municipalities on their events permit guidelines. PC members feel the need for the events permit for liability of the Town and knowledge of larger events happening. Perz will continue with getting a draft written for November PC mtg.
No Action Taken
6. Discussion on adopting a dark sky ordinance
Boerigter presented information and a draft of the ordinance. Discussion on the need and some guidelines. Boerigter motioned to recommend the Town Board approve the ordinance as presented. Knutson second. MP 5-0
7. Discussion and possible recommendation on Escrow Ordinance.
Discussion only. No Action Taken
8. Discussion and possible recommendation to add Class B weight limit to Franklin Road
Franklin Rd in the Town of Union is a Class B and this would continue into the Town of Rutland. Knutson stated that this is Ag exempt. Knutson motioned to recommend the Town Board approve the Class B weight limit on Franklin Road.
Second by Boerigter. MP 5-0

9. Discussion and possible recommendation on Resolution for the Coalition Against Bigger Trucks (CABT),

Legislation wants to raise the Heavy trucks limit from 80,000 lbs to 91,000. This may cause heavy impact on the local bridges and roads. National Association of Engineers is asking the municipalities to sign off on this resolution to stop the increase of heavy trucks weight limits. Knutson motioned to recommend the Town Board to sign off on this resolution to keep the heavy trucks weight limit at 80,000 lbs. Second by Nedveck. MP 5-0

10. Discussion and recommendation to make Michele Perz a voting member of the PC and make Kent Knutson the alternate. The term dates of the members do not change

Perz agreed to step into the voting PC member seat. Knutson will now be the alternate, if in need. Knutson will explain the change to the Town Board at the Oct 8, 2025 Board meeting. Discussion only. No Voting action needed.

11. Discussion and possible recommendation on Rutland's ATV sunset clause.

The ordinance was discussed at the 1 year time limit. PC members are satisfied of no issues and recommends the ordinance to remain as written. Knutson motioned to recommend the Town Board sustain the ordinance as written. Boerigter second. MP 5-0

12. Set meeting date. Nov 3, 2025, Dec 1, 2025, Jan 5, 2026, Feb 2, 2026 and Mar 2, 2026

13. Adjournment. Nedveck motioned to adjourn. Second Boerigter. MP 5-0

Respectfully Submitted by Kim Sime