



# City of Barre, Vermont

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### Development Review Board Regular Meeting Minutes April 5, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. Council Chambers, City Hall (6 N. Main Street)

A regular meeting of the Barre City Development Review Board was called to order by Interim Chair Linda Shambo (Ward I) at 7:00 pm at City Hall. In attendance were: From Ward II Board Member Richard Deep, Ward III Board Member Jim Hart III, and At-Large Members Betty Owen and Denise Ferrari. Also in attendance was Heather Grandfield, Permit Administrator. A quorum was determined by the Chair.

Absent – From Ward II Board Member David Hough

Sign in sheet reflects for the Summer Street Wall Mural, Caroline Earle President of the Rotary Club of Barre for the project.

Adjustments to Agenda; None

Visitors and Communications; None

#### Old Business:

##### Consideration of Minutes from March 1, 2018 Hearing:

- Motion to approve minutes was made by Board Member Deep and seconded by Board Member Owen  
*Motion carried unanimously.*

##### Consideration of Decisions from March 1, 2018 Hearing:

- Motion to approve decisions was made by Board Member Ferrari and seconded by Board Member Hart.  
*Motion carried unanimously.*

#### New Business:

**City of Barre (Property Owner) & Rotary Club of Barre (Applicant)**, Summer Street retaining wall. Site Plan Review approval. Applicant seeks to install a 2,099' mural onto the Summer Street retaining wall. Planned Residential Zoning District.

Caroline Earle was sworn in at 7:04 pm.

Ms. Earle introduced herself as a resident and President of the Rotary Club of Barre. They have been looking for a project to beautify Barre and felt that the retaining wall would be a good place to start, as the current mural on the wall had faded. She has presented the idea to City Council and that they as well as this board were concerned about the maintenance of the mural once it was on the wall. The Rotary Club has decided to make this a legacy project, which would mean that every summer any deterioration or graffiti would be taken care of and that every 10 years

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they would change out the mural. Ms. Earle discussed the materials that would be used and whom would be working on the project, from local artist to students from the high school. She discussed how the mural would be in panels and how they could be taken down individually to be repaired or repainted. The theme would be of seasons with interactive historically related objects hidden in the mural. They are in the process of getting a grant and raising matching funds, along with donations of supplies from local merchants.

Discussion took place about the City's part in repairing the wall. How large the mural would be and how high off the street level it would be. The mural will cover 99% of the wall and be approximately 6" to 8" off the street. This is to make it interactive with pedestrian traffic, from children to adults. Discussion took place about how quickly repairs would be done if there was damage to the mural. A suggestion of motion sensor lights being placed along the wall to discourage vandalism was made and Ms. Earle responded that she would take the suggestion to the Rotary Club board. Maintenance was stressed and Ms. Earle responded that a yearly plan would be part of the plan to take care of the mural along with any emergency repairs as they occurred.

**Board Member** Ferrari made a motion to approve as presented, seconded by Board Member Deep, *vote of 5-0 motion approved.*

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**Other Business:** None

**Roundtable:**

Permit Administrator Grandfield advised the board that at the next meeting two members would be up for reappointment. Those members are Richard Deep and Jim Hart, these are four year terms. She also advised the board of the two applicants for the next meeting.

**Executive Session:** Not needed.

The Development Review Board adjourned at 7:30 PM on a motion by Board Member Owens, and seconded by Board Member Ferrari; *motion carried unanimously.*

An audio recording of the hearing is available through the City's Planning and Permitting Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Grandfield, Permit Administrator