



TOWN OF CHELMSFORD  
VINAL SQUARE STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 12, 2026

**7:04 P.M. CALL TO ORDER**

**Members Present:** Virginia Crocker Timmins (chair), Bill Gilet, Jr., Laura Lee, Lauralynne Morey, Brian Creamer, Mike Walsh, Ceretha Fernandes

**Others:**

Paul Cohen, Town Manager  
Evan Belansky, Community Development  
Christine Clancy, DPW  
Chris Lavalle  
Ben Duchesney  
North Chelmsford Alliance Founder  
Jerry Neeley, Chelmsford Resident

Chairman Crocker Timmins called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

N. Chelmsford Roadside Commercial Light (CBLT) Rezoning: Chris Lavalle

- Slideshow Presented by Chris Lavalle

Vinal Square Spring Revival: Ben Duchesney

- Brainstorming a Family friendly Community Spring Event "Celebrating the N. Village Community"
- Discussed potential dates, why, goals, potential schedule, map of events, other community conflicts, conflicts of other projects, road closure

Main Street Improvement Project Discussion: Christine Clancy

- Slideshow presented by Christine Clancy

Committee Business Representative and Business Outreach

- Flyer to businesses with certificate, but no takers
- Virginia sent email last weekend again, we shall see
- Walk about timeline : Mike Walsh, Evan Belansky

Updates:

- Plan finalized in February, 2026
- State goal after moratorium lifted: potentially April 1, 2026
- Targeting early or middle May completion
- Parking stations going in: completed Spring 2026
- Clock Installation TBD

Wayfinding Sign at Senior Center:

- Bad weather accident
- As soon as weather is better, it will be fixed

Varney Park:

- Space available for structure for children or all abilities

Ledge Road

- Feb 5th, 2026 ZBA hearing
- Town trying to get judge to focus on zoning issue
- Time intensive process

Traffic updates:

- Utility investigation needs to be completed
- Updated schedule to be presented at next meeting

National register district long term goal:

- Walking tour; investigating old tour created by George Merrill

Future Agenda Topics:

- Timeline of activities for Vinal Square

Next meeting date: February 2, 2026

There being no further business, Mr. Gilet moved to adjourn, seconded by Brian Creamer Unanimous. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauralynne Morey