

SEPTEMBER 2026 COMMITTEE REPORTS

BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN SAFETY (Shields)

Committee met on August 13. Discussed the following items:

- Lessons learned from recent Bike Rodeo. Considered possible date change but agreed we have had good success on Saturday after the 4th of July. Agreed we'd try to get some more attractions for the children. Need to have more flashing lights next year as we ran out. Still have a box of helmets remaining.
- Continued our preps for Grab a Flag project — hoping that approval is imminent.
- Continued our focus on street markings including white stop lines on East side of Route 1.
- Continued our discussion on need for enhanced visibility stop signs, speed indicators and vegetation clearance at corners.

Next meeting in September after new committee (with any new members) is formed.

CHARTER & CODE (Giler)

The August 10 meeting of the SB Charter and Code Committee was well attended, with 5 of 6 voting members in person and one on zoom. There were 7 citizens in the room and a zoom audience. Several townspeople shared their issues with unwanted illumination of their properties. The contents of the meeting were focused on delivering a lighting ordinance for consideration by the council. The committee debated criteria for inclusion in the ordinance, as well as specific language shared by members.

A document was consolidated after the meeting attempting to combine the recommendations of all members. The prospective ordinance with an executive summary was forwarded to the council for consideration, with a recommendation to have the solicitor review.

Executive Summary of prospective ordinance:

Purpose: Reduce nuisance lighting. Lights should not illuminate your neighbors' property. They should not shine in their windows, decks or yards or illuminate public areas including canals and beaches.

Add times for decorative lighting to be extinguished. (11 PM to 8 AM)

Enforcement will occur after complaints from neighbors. No light measuring devices are required.

Resolution can be as simple as turning off, dimming or redirecting and shielding.

Security, safety and flag lighting will be allowed.

Not included in ordinance:

Restrictions on lumens, kelvin or colors.

No changes to town street lighting, which has been requested by some citizens.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS (Van Horn)

The Committee last met on August 5, 2026, as reported at the last TC meeting. The CRC held a Coffee and Conversation with the Mayor on August 21, 2026, which was very well attended. One of the hot topics of conversation was the construction during the summer months.

Our next CRC event is on September 18th and will be a birding tour with John Janowski. A flyer will be sent out with details. The next CRC meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, September 23, at 10 a.m. The new CRC committee members will be announced at the September 11th TC meeting.

PLANNING COMMISSION (Gallagher)

The Planning Commission has not met since the last Town Council Meeting. It plans to meet on September 14, 2026, to review with the consultants the comprehensive plan survey results and related public input. Commissioner Brian Gander has resigned noting that, despite his best intentions, he will not be able to meet the 100% in-person requirement for participation in commission meetings. Commission Chair Jocelyn Cenna accepted his resignation and thanked him for his contributions over his tenure.

RESILIENCY (Dondero)

The Committee last met on August 19th. The decision was made to postpone the open house with property owners that was tentatively planned for August 31st. The event will be rescheduled for some time after the report from Verdantas is received.

The ongoing projects being led by AECOM and Verdantas continue, and we await presentations from each on the results of their respective analyses.