



**The Moretown Planning Commission  
Via Zoom  
June 17, 2020**

Present: Jonathan Siegel, John Schmeltzer, David Stapleton, Deborah Carroll, and Karen Horn.

Guests: John Riley, Chair Development Review Board

Jonathan called the meeting to order at 6:49 pm.

The planning commission discussed options for a town Zoom account. Karen will ask how much it costs and let the selectboard know that it is a reimbursable COVID-19 expense.

Can we warn the hearing for the energy plan on July 15.

The planning commission voted unanimously to adopt the corrected minutes of June 3.

John Riley spoke to the issue of revised zoning bylaws. Some of the language makes little sense, such as non-conforming regulations. John will send his expanded comments on the zoning regulation to the planning commission. A general discussion ensued of the zoning bylaw and portions that need to be changed. Open ended language puts the DRB in a difficult position regarding interpretation.

Intent of preserve district is to protect the uplands from over-development. The planning commission could revisit which sections of town are in the preserve versus another district.

John Riley urged the commission to undertake the technical corrections to the zoning bylaw sooner rather than later. He will send the DRB comments to the planning commission.

David made a motion to adjourn at 7:50. John Schmeltzer seconded the motion, which was unanimously adopted.

Topics from Prior Meetings:

List of work items for 2020 (compilation of prior meetings):

zoning regulations generally,  
meeting with the development review board and recreation committee,  
updating the forestry management plan for the town forest behind the school  
investigating potential for wastewater capacity in the village.

*Respectfully Submitted,  
Karen Horn  
June 17, 2020*

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