



Moretown Planning Commission
6:30 PM, April 7, 2021
Meeting
Via ZOOM

Present: Jonathan Siegel, David Stapleton, Karen Horn, John Schmeltzer, Deb Carroll
Guests: Clare Rock, Zach Maia, David Specht

Jonathan called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm.

John made a motion to adopt the minutes of March 17. David seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Clare Rock gave an updated report on Moretown's zoning beginning with a review of the Planning Commission goals. Clare and Zach reviewed the 2006 adopted plan and adopted technical zoning ordinance amendment. They also reviewed the Zoning for Better Places, and explained some of their experience in different towns with zoning amendments. She then responded to questions and comments from the zoning administrator and planning commissioners.

The zoning administrator indicated he would like the revised ordinance to clarify what decisions that position may make and what needs to be referred to the DRB.

David made a motion to adjourn at approximately 8:10 pm. John seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Goals - Municipal Planning Grant

- ◇ Simplify the ordinance
- ◇ ADU language
- ◇ Setbacks
- ◇ Short term rentals
- ◇ Definitions (ground-mounted solar vs. parking canopy) as way to encourage renewables; mindful of what the actual structure is.
- ◇ Make it user friendly
- ◇ Remedy denials for applicants.
- ◇ Evaluate proposals from Zoning Administrator

- ◇ Address priorities that were expressed in the grant application
- ◇ Zoning for Great Neighborhoods: Moretown Planning Commission will review and provide info to CVRPC.
- ◇ Assure the ordinance encourages those activities that are priorities for the community such as housing options appropriate to the scale and size of the town
- ◇ Facilitate the ability to work remotely from home in the post-COVID world – encourage build out of broadband, revisit home occupation language
- ◇ Encourage EV charging stations
- ◇ Provide for small mixed-use commercial in village areas and Rt. 2-100 (North Moretown)

*Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Horn
April 8, 2021*

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