

# Minutes Moretown Planning Commission Wednesday, May 15, 2024 -Draft-

The meeting was held in person at the Moretown Town Office and online via Zoom.

Members Present: Clark Amadon, Karen Horn, John Schmeltzer, Dave Stapleton (Chair)

**Staff Present:** Carol Chamberlin, Zoning Administrator

**Others Present:** Jeff Harvey, Deb Sargent

Dave called the meeting to order at 6:39 pm.

### **Public Comment**

Jeff inquired as to any appraisal considerations that might be related to prime agricultural soils; nobody was aware of any such impacts.

## **Town Plan**

Suggestions for strategies for moving forward with the Plan update were provided by Dave and discussed by the group. It was agreed that the survey should be available for the month of June, and that survey results and any map changes or additional maps should be ready for presentation at Morefest, which will be an opportunity to set up a space and have further community discussion about the Plan.

It was agreed to change the structure of the Plan's layout to more closely match by chapter the required elements of the Plan.

Regarding revisions to the text of the Plan, each member (as well as Deb, as a likely soon-to-be-appointed member) agreed to take responsibility for a topic and draft an updated outline addressing the status quo, vision, goals, policies, and actions for that topic.

### **Updates and Other Business**

## Clean Water Committee

Clark reported that he is composing a letter to State officials regarding the decision to rescind ARPA funding from the Town, and also addressing the potential impact this will have on the 0% loan that was offered for completion of the PER. He noted that it has been difficult to move forward as quickly as preferred with testing soils and locating a suitable disposal site, in large

part due to the archeological-associated requirements surrounding digging test pits. It is mostly due to this lack of having procured a disposal site that the ARPA funds are being rescinded.

# Act 250

Karen will follow up on her recent inquiry regarding having Moretown's Act 250 status changed from being a 1-acre town to being recognized as a 10-acre town.

# Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chamberlin, ZA