



Minutes
Moretown Planning Commission
Wednesday, December 11, 2024
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The meeting was held online via Zoom.

Members Present: Clark Amadon, Bob Blodgett (Alternate), Karen Horn, Deb Sargent, John Schmeltzer, Dave Stapleton (Chair)

Staff Present: Carol Chamberlin, Zoning Administrator

Others Present:

Dave called the meeting to order at 6:11 pm.

Public Comment

No public comment was provided.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of November 20, 2024 were approved.

Town Plan

Upcoming Logistics

Dave explained that Carol will be compiling the chapters into one cohesive document as they are reviewed, that he is working with Niki Sabado (CVRPC) to obtain more recent data where it is available, and that Dara Torre will likely be at the next PC meeting to review updates to the Energy chapter.

Chapter 5: Housing

Clark reviewed the changes he had incorporated, leading to some discussion of conversion of forest and agricultural land, and how Town Plan language should reflect State and RPC goals for planning. It was noted that goals and strategies need to be incorporated in the chapter; there was some discussion of potential items to be included, with mentions of reviewing regulations, looking into rehabilitation of abandoned structures, seeking input from developers, and working with groups such as Downstreet.

Chapter 6: Transportation

Karen presented information regarding the updates she had incorporated, and she and Dave explained that there may be more recent data available through the RPC. John will be updating some of the recent flood damage and repair work information for the chapter.

Work related to 'complete streets' was outlined, including slowing traffic in the Village, addressing the intersection of Moretown Mountain Road and Route 100B, the proposed Route 100 Multi-Use Path, shoulders along Route 2, and sidewalks in both North Moretown and the Village.

Updates and Other Business

Winooski Flood Resilience Roundtable

John and Clark had attended this event, and noted that there was some good conversation regarding town needs, and what strategies have worked well (or not) in response to flood events. Collaboration which had been initiated through recent events was also part of the discussion, including potential for formalization of such efforts at a watershed/county scale either through volunteer or governmental efforts.

NDA

Dave reported that he, Karen, and Bill Rossmassler had met with Niki Sabado regarding this project, and that likely work would begin early in 2025 by Moretown on a proposal; Duxbury has not expressed interest in being part of the process. Adoption of the Town Plan will be necessary before a final NDA application may be submitted.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Chamberlin, ZA