Moretown Planning Commission Minutes March 4, 2014 6:30 PM Moretown Elementary School Library

Present: Board Members: Jonathan Siegel, Deb Sargent, Rube Scharges, Karen Horn, Bridgette Remington via Facetime.

Guests: John Gallagher, Friends of Northfield Ridge and Moretown Resident. Brandy Saxton, Consultant.

Jonathan called the meeting to order at 6:46.

John Gallagher described the organization, Friends of the Northfield Ridge and their concerns about the potential for large wind on the Northfield Ridge. He urged the Commission to make a strong and detailed statement about industrial wind on the ridge in the municipal plan. He indicated that residents need a lot more information about wind and that he will keep the Planning Commission in the loop regarding the potential of the Friends of Northfield Ridge hosting a meeting on the topic of large commercial wind.

Bridgette said that when approving a project, separating out small individually owned residential wind from the rest of it is not hard. The most effective considerations in the plan might be noise standards or setbacks on those kinds of projects. The Public Service Board is looking for a clear written standard in the plan when it considers applications for Certificates of Public Good.

The Commission went through current drafts of the municipal plan chapter and discussed how the language should be re-drafted.

Rube made a motion to approve the minutes of Feb 4. Deb seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Deb made a motion to adjourn at 8:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Horn March 5, 2014