Moretown Planning Commission Moretown Town Office 6:30 pm December , 2017

Present: Planning Commissioners Jonathan Siegel, Chair; Dara Torre; John Schmeltzer; Karen Horn; Rube Scharges; Deborah Feldman, alternate.

Guests: JB Weir, Zoning Administrator

Jonathan called the meeting to order at approximately 6:40 pm.

Karen made a motion to adopt the minutes of November 7. Rube seconded the miton, which was unanimously approved.

The Planning Commission discussed review of the hazard mitigation plan and what is necessary to update it. Dara said she had spoken to Laura Ranker at the regional commission and they can help somewhat with the update. Members will read the existing plan and talk to Fire Chief Steve Smith about what might be his recommendations for updates.

The Planning Commission discussed the timeline for adoption of subdivision regulations, which were proposed in 2017. A hearing will be put on the agenda for March with the aim of having them voted on at the November 2018 election.

Jonathan discussed that some designated scenic roads were not included in the current town plan with Jonathan Croft at VTrans. Jonathan will ask Cheryl to discuss restoring the scenic roads to the plan with Jonathan Croft.

The Planning Commission briefly discussed that Act 171 requires land use planning for forest blocs in towns that have plans. The planning commission will need to incorporate a discussion thereof in the next plan.

The Planning Commission also decided to 1) review samples of salvage yard ordinances from other towns, 2) discuss providing the zoning administrator authority to make some decisions on minor applications without the need to go to the Development Review Board, and 3) addressing accessory units or tiny houses in the zoning bylaw. JB indicated he will draft proposals for the Planning Commission to review.

The meeting on December 19 is canceled. The next meeting is January 2 at the school.

Rube made a motion to adjourn at 7:50.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Horn

