



Agenda Moretown Planning Commission Minutes, May 18, 2022 6:30 pm

Meeting held by Zoom only.

Present: David Stapleton chair, Deb Carroll, Clark Amadon, John Schmeltzer
Public: Travis Blodgett

Public Comment

Travis asked about the error on the agenda, which had the wrong date.

The minutes from the last meeting were voted on and accepted. Motion by Clark, seconded by Deborah.

Discussion regarding the revised draft of the ordinances:

- There was concern expressed regarding the distinction between site review plan and the normal DRB process. See Sec. 5.2.
- It was suggested that changes be made to Sec. 7.2 regarding the definition of Accessory dwelling units. Our intent was to allow one ADU per principle residential structure, where the structure may contain multiple dwelling units. This would require inclusion of a definition of “principle residential structure.” David will speak with Clare.
- Is there a purpose for the definitions being later in the document, rather than at the top? David will ask Clare.
- Regarding Table 2.2, we would like to change the dwelling units per acre in the preservation district from 1 du/a to 2 du/5a. David will speak with Clare. Also, in Table 2.1, change the X under Dwelling, Multi-family (5+units), under Preservation District, to a C.
- There was a concern that the length of the new document is longer than the existing document.

Discussion regarding outreach to the public on this document.

- We need to come up with a plan.
- How many public meetings are we required to host? Karen may have this information. Provide space, via the website, where people can leave comments.
- Clearly state that comments will be considered, and that people also have the option to come to Planning Commission meetings.
- Have a space where comments can be responded to on the website much as we can.
- Do postings in things like FPF and newspapers to push people to the website.
- Also consider posting things in public places.

Consider preparing a section by section comparing the old document to the new document.

Deborah provided a summary of progress made at the most recent ARPA Advisory Committee meeting.

Clark provided an update on the wastewater project, and the challenges with finding a PE. Clark will get in touch with the 2 firms that he has spoken with (who submitted RFPs) and work on arranging a zoom meeting. Clark will circle back with Duxbury about working together and with Waterbury.

David reported on the status of the ZA search. The selectboard is negotiating an extension of our contract with the CVRPC, though we're still looking for a longer term solution.

John will get some clarity from John Hogenboom regarding the Town Forest Management Plan Committee. John has volunteered to be a part of this in so much as it pertains to the forest management plan for the area behind the school.

Deborah will speak with Sasha about a zoom account as Jon Siegel's account will expire soon.

*Respectfully Submitted,
Deborah Carroll
May 26, 2022*