

Minutes Moretown Planning Commission Wednesday, June 25, 2025 -Draft-

The meeting was held in person and online via Zoom.

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

Dave Stapleton (Vice Chair)

Staff Present: Carol Chamberlin, ZA

Others Present: None

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm.

Agenda Changes

No changes were made to the agenda.

Public Comment

Nobody requested time to comment.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of June 4, 2025 were approved.

Town Plan

Niki Sabado (CVRPC) had provided an outline of her review of the Town Plan draft, in which she indicated that all required elements had been included. Karen and Carol had been in touch with Niki regarding some of the data that still needs to be updated, as well as some of the maps that are still needed; Niki is working with appropriate RPC staff to get that information and documentation to Carol.

The logistics and timing of the adoption process were discussed, with it being tentatively agreed to warn the PC hearing for mid-August.

It was agreed to meet next on July 16, 2025, at which point Carol anticipates having a full draft of the Plan ready for review and presentation for the Public Hearing and associated warning information.

Other Business

RPC Future Land Use Maps – Karen reported that RPC staff will be present at the September 3 PC meeting in order to review the Future Land Use Mapping efforts; Selectboard members will be invited to this meeting, as well as the general community.

Village Center Designation – Karen explained that all previously approved designations are now considered 'legacy designations' and do not need to go through a renewal process. This will be in effect until the end of 2025, when it is anticipated that an updated program will be in place.

National Park Service Rivers Trails Conservation Assistance Program – Bob indicated that Helen Siewers, an NPS staff member working with this program, will be visiting potential property buyout sites in Plainfield, Montpelier, and Waterbury to explore possibilities for uses of these sites. It was

agreed that Bob will ask Helen to include the Route 2 Moretown properties that are also in the buyout process as part of her investigation.

Community Recreation Visioning (CRV) update – Clark provided an overview and update on the work of the CRV group, which has been focused on an integration of environmental sensitivity and recreational needs in the MRV. Laura Arenesen (MRV Recreation District) and Sam Robinson (MRVPD) have asked to join an upcoming meeting to explain more about the group's ongoing work; it was agreed to invite them to the July 16 PC meeting and to invite Selectboard and Recreation Committee members to join.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Chamberlin, ZA