

Minutes Moretown Planning Commission Wednesday, August 6, 2025 -Draft-

The meeting was held in person and online via Zoom.

Members Present: Clark Amadon, 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 6:30 pm.

Agenda Changes

No changes were made to the agenda.

Public Comment

Nobody requested time to comment.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of July 16, 2025 were approved.

Morefest

It was agreed to have a table at Morefest, as this provides a good opportunity to speak with residents about the progress on both the Town Plan and the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP).

Town Plan

There was a discussion regarding how to retain the future land use map from the prior version of the Plan, and the related text that was updated during the current revision work, and to also include a future land use map that is compatible with the format/categories that are required by CVRPC. The new requirements are in place in order to provide coordination with the Act 250 Tier levels which are being finalized. It was agreed to retain the previous map and text, and to rename them as a 'Future Planning' section, and to include an explanation of the difference between this and the required future land use map. The text will also be changed on the current map to note that it is more a reflection of geographical divisions.

Carol reported that she expects to meet with Brian Voigt of CVRPC during the week of August 18 in order to discuss the mapping needed for the Town Plan.

Other Business

It was noted that a it should be posted to FPF that there is a meeting regarding regional future land use mapping on September 3.

John noted that he will be reaching out to Stephanie Magnon to get an update on the progress of the LHMP.

Karen explained that there is a site visit scheduled for August 25 with the people working on reviewing potential buyout sites for possible inclusion in the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program. It was agreed that the property owners should be notified, and that the meeting should be warned as a PC meeting.

Dave reported that he will be meeting with the Duxbury PC, and explained that there is not time to complete and submit an NDA application for the North Moretown/Duxbury area before the deadline, so at this point it is likely that a Tier 1B designation will be sought for that area rather than the NDA designation.

Clark indicated his intent to resign from the PC by the end of the year, explaining that a need for more family time as well as other commitments are requiring his attention.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Carol Chamberlin, ZA