



**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
OF NOVEMBER 30, 2022**

Members: Bob Beeman, Judy Bickford, Don McDowell, Jessica Graham*

Absent: Brian Kellogg

Members: Tom Snipp, Travis Knapp, Robert Heanue, Brad Limoge

Absent: Carl Fortune

ADMINISTRATION and STAFF: Eric Dodge, Town Administrator; Scott Johnstone, Village Manager; Judi Alberi, Administrator's Assistant; Todd Thomas, Planning/Zoning Director

PARTICIPANTS/GUESTS: Tom Cloutier, Mary Lou Nichols, Duane Sprague, Gary Briggs, Linda Kramer, Ron Stancliff, Damon Lee, Philip Rochette

**participating via Zoom*

CALL SELECTBOARD MEETING TO ORDER

Bob Beeman called the Selectboard Meeting to order at 6:02PM at the Tegu Building.

CALL VILLAGE TRUSTEES MEETING TO ORDER

Tom Snipp called the Village Of Morrisville Meeting to order at 6:02PM at the Tegu Building.

AGENDA CHANGES/ADDITIONS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Discuss Amendments to the Zoning and Subdivision Bylaws

Selectboard members and Village Trustees met jointly to review the 2022 proposed Zoning Bylaw changes. Comments and questions were regarding the following sections:

Section 340 - The Village trustees were not interested in adding steep slope regulations to the proposed Zoning Bylaws. The majority of Selectboard members appeared to be in support or indifferent of this item being added. After conversations between the two boards, it was decided that this item would not go forward as proposed. It became apparent that the Town and Village would need to split the existing joint Town Plan and joint Zoning Bylaws into separate documents for both Morrisville and Morristown to enact steep slope regulations in the town.

Section 510 – The Trustees wanted to retain the conservation subdivision density bonus in the village because it would encourage more single-family homes at lower price points. It was decided by both Boards that only the paved road piece of the density bonus would be deleted, with the rest of the density bonus remaining in effect.

Section 820.5 - Selectboard members expressed that they were amendable to the new naming practice for private roads (as warned with this zoning change), but they would like to have some input from the Zoning Director in a future Zoning Bylaw edit as to whether the proposed road should be a private road or a town road. It was decided that town roads should serve the greater good of the community, such as a throughway to another town road, and private roads should typically be a cul-de-sac serving just the homeowners therein.

Section 900 - Selectboard members had more questions regarding the proposal to restrict short-term rentals to Owner Occupied properties in the Town, which matches current rules in the Village. Planning Director Todd Thomas explained how the grandfathering of existing short-term rentals would work and what it would mean for new purchases of homes that are not owner-occupied. Should the Selectboard go forward with this change, it will align Morristown with Morrisville restrictions. The Selectboard members and the Village Trustees agreed to move forward with the new short-term rental restrictions as proposed.

ADJOURN

Selectboard Meeting:

Motion made by Judy Bickford to adjourn. Motion seconded by Don McDowell. Motion carried. (4/0)

Village Trustees:

Motion made by Robert Heanue to adjourn. Motion seconded by Brad Limoge. Motion carried. (4/0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:18pm

Submitted and filed this December 2 , 2022

Judi Alberi, Scribe

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