

MORRISTOWN/MORRISVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION OCT 21 1997

MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 14, 1997

Members Present: Dan Demars, Rich Furlong, Jane Greene, Sam Guy, and George Robson.

Members Absent: Pat McCulloch

Guests: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Sam Guy, Chairman.

The Planning Commission meeting minutes of October 7, 1997 were reviewed and approved as written.

The Planning Commission discussed the INTRODUCTION for the 1998 Plan. It will start as follows:

This plan is an update and revision of the first Morrisville/Morristown Plan which was adopted by the Morristown Select Board and the Morrisville Trustees on March 29, 1993. The plan is the product of cooperation and communication between local boards, committees, departments, and residents.

During the past five years, the Planning Commission has attempted to abide by the original plan in performing the duties and responsibilities required of this commission. A review and update of the Town and Village Bylaws has recently been completed which should facilitate the hearing and planning process thus serving the residents of Morrisville/Morristown in a more efficient and expedient manner.

Morrisville/Morristown was the second location in Vermont to eliminate the Zoning Board of Adjustment and create a Development Review Board. By doing this, the Planning Commission is no longer involved in the Hearing Process. The Development Review Board conducts all hearings and eliminates many of the redundant hearings which had been required in the past. The Planning Commission can now focus on Planning issues such as Bylaw Updates, Town Plan Revisions, Growth Studies, Town and Village Map updates, and Grant Requests from state & federal agencies.

The second and third paragraphs of the 1993 Introduction will be replaced with input received from the Town Select Board and the Village Trustees.

The last paragraph on Page I of the 1993 Introduction will stay the same, and all of Page II of the 1993 Introduction will remain the same. We will add the names of the Town Select Board and the Village Trustees at the bottom of Page II.

Page 20 - Okay as written.

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Page 22 - "Current Land Use"

In the last paragraph after 1996, remove "just about doubled from a little over 5% in 1980 to over 10% in 1992."

NOTE: All statistics used throughout this report should have a source reference.

Page 23 - Okay as written.

Page 24 - In the BROOKLYN STREET paragraph, the following changes are required:

- * After the word "with" in the first sentence, remove the rest of the sentence and replace it with "large shopping areas adjoined to residential property."
- * Remove the entire second sentence.
- * On line 5 of this paragraph, after the word "offices" remove "the an" and replace with "and an".
- * On line 5 of this paragraph, after the word "facility", remove the rest of the sentence.
- * On the last line after "avenue", add "which is west of Brooklyn Street".

In the VERMONT ROUTE 12 paragraph, remove the sentence which says "Lot sizes tend to be just over 10 acres."

Page 25 - The first full paragraph should be updated to reflect any growth over the past five years.

For the meeting of October 21, 1997, the Planning Commission will continue this review and update process on Page 25 - Future Land Use.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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