



# Town of Mount Holly Planning Commission

## **Town Office / Remote Electronic – Special Work Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday October 6, 2021

7:00 P.M.

Commission Members Present: Jon McCann, Stephen Michel, Jim Seward, Andy Schulz, Brigid Sullivan

1. Jon called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. No changes to agenda.
3. Town Plan Revisions
  - a. Utility and Facility Plan: Fire Department
    - i. For town plan we are required to have an inventory and map of facilities. Such as stations, ponds, hydrants, and communication sites. We should assist the fire dept board to generate.
    - ii. Desire an inventory of major equipment such as apparatus and off-road vehicles.
    - iii. Wish the fire department board could assess the adequacy of the facilities and equipment.
    - iv. Request the Fire department identify issues, plans, upgrades for next 5 to 10 years which can be included in Town Plan and include details of what is needed to serve the town in the long term.
    - v. Curious about communication centers – Tower on Okemo vs Garrow farm repeater
    - vi. Request an assessment of personnel status and needs; hopefully to include discussion of:
      1. Will compensation help increase participation?
      2. Required training, annual maintenance; drills, calls, Mutual aid.
      3. Impact of demographic change in community – is volunteers protecting \$1 million vacation homes affecting participation?
    - vii. Commission would like to look into ways in which emergency services impact other town concerns, such as:
      1. Cooperation with rescue
      2. Driveway access requirements for new development
      3. Major developments/subdivision requirements: individual fire suppression requirements, truck access; Town provide access requirements or minimum standards for fire service; steepness of slope; plowed drives;
    - viii. Commission decided to generate a set of questions to be sent to the Fire Dept. Board for long term plans to add to town plan.
4. Public comments: None
5. Upcoming meetings
  - a. Public Hearing: October 20th, 2021, 6:15am
  - b. Regular meeting: October 20th, 2021, 7:00pm
6. Adjourned at 8:30 pm

For the Commission,  
Brigid Sullivan

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