

Town of Moretown
Selectboard Minutes
09/17/18

Board Members present: John Hoogenboom, Callie Streeter, and Jason Aronowitz

Board Members not present: Rae Washburn, and Tom Martin

Guest Present: Catrina Brackett, Cheryl Brown and Carl Wimble

General Public Comment: Carl Wimble noted the agenda was not on the website this morning. Catrina mistakenly sent it to a different John in her contacts but had sent it to JB and the agenda was posted later in the day. Carl also talked about the subdivision regulations. His suggestion was current residents should be grandfathered when and if the subdivision regulations go into effect. He also felt a lot of the terminology was too vague. He will be sending in some suggestions.

TA Report 9/17/18

1. HUUSD appointment of schoolboard member on 9/19 during the regular meeting. Recommendation or will someone attend? Received today via email was 3 more residents who had sent in letters of interest to the HUUSD Board. Jim Casey who ran as a write in last Town Meeting Day. Denise Russo a parent who has worked for the State of Vermont and has experience in Marketing and Communications. Last was Linda Hazard a parent who had moved to Moretown in June who works for the State of Vermont Health Department, a Masters in Audiology and Doctorate in Educational leadership and social policy. Kristen Rodgers letter had been received previously and she came in to speak to the Selectboard. There were also 8 letters of support received in the last two weeks as well. MOTION: John made a motion to recommend Kristen Rodgers to the HUUSD Board. Callie seconded the motion. Callie and John voted yes and Jason abstained for the fact that he didn't know enough about the candidates. It was also questioned whether or not the other candidates knew the Selectboard would/could make a recommendation to HUUSD about who should be appointed to fill the vacancy. The appointment would be good until March, 2019 Town Meeting, at which time the seat would be open again for anyone who wants to run on the ballot.

2. Moretown applied for and received a \$10,150 FEMA grant to prepare an updated Disaster Mitigation Plan. CVRPC will be assisting with the update. The State of Vermont (DPS) is the grantee; Moretown is the sub-grantee. A grant agreement to follow.

3. Need to think about the possibility of changing attorneys for the Montgomery Timber appeal, if court action is necessary? Shems \$150 hr. / Gillies \$140 hr.

Reports and Communications: Callie attended a budgeting workshop presented by VLCT. She said the TA of Waitsfield was a presenter and did a very good job. She has requested a copy to share with the board. Cheryl let the board know the first draft of the budget will be to them on October 15th.

Jason spoke about a work in progress reviewing the positions of Town Administrator, Assistant Town Administrator, Zoning Administrator, e911 and Website Administrator.

John thanked Catrina for a job well done with Morefest.

An email was received from Don Butson to Cherilyn letting them know the Listers choose to not have NEMRC update the tax map index but instead do it themselves.

Blodgett- An email was received from Paul Gillies that was passed to him from Brooke Dingedine. Kathleen Skomitz wrote, "After careful deliberation I decided the Blodgett planned right of way is detrimental to my camp. Therefore, I am asking to be removed from any list of defendants or plaintiffs against the Montgomery Timber Company. Also, I am concerned that my name on your list." No response has been received yet from Montgomery Timber.

Pony Farm Road- Martin sent an email with a quote for \$1690, installed for a guard rail from Lafayette/Sheldon. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Old Business: WASI will be discussed at the next meeting.

Library move to Town Hall: The Library chose to reschedule when the whole Selectboard is present. They will be rescheduled to the next meeting.

Financial Committee update: John said Cherilyn had moved \$500,000 to NSB from Community bank into a 9 month no penalty CD with 2% interest. \$250,000 is FDIC insured the remainder is insured by NSB Mortgages.

NEMRC quote for lister assistance: Catrina gave the board a copy of the original contact and pointed out their yearly quote has not changed since 2011. This is will be discussed at the next meeting.

New Business: None at this Time

Next Meeting: October 1st, 2018 @ 6pm

Warrants: PR 18045, e2858-e2867, AP 18046, 19859-19898

Documents approved: None at this time

Motion to Adjourn: John made a motion to adjourn at 6:46pm. Callie seconded. All agreed.