Moretown Community Library Board of Trustees Meeting Moretown Community Library September Meeting Agenda September 11, 2025, 6:30

Attending: Erin Hunt (Chair), Bridgete Hardy (Treasurer), Sybil Schlesinger (Secretary), Dan

Zucker and Cory Stephenson. Absent: Pam Barnes

Meeting Called to Order at 6:39pm

Public Comment: none

Secretary's Notes:

MOTION to approve the July meeting minutes by Erin Hunt. Second by Bridgete Hardy.

Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

-On track for spending for the year. The Town covered the expense of the new heater at the old library building. We should still propose the same amount for next year for building maintenance even though we did not spend it all this year. Rug service is coming from this fund now.

-With the help of Cherilyn and Cory, Bridgete moved some monies from some lines to others to cover costs.

-Heat and electricity for the old library are still undecided. Currently the old library costs are still on the current library budget. The Historical Society has been asked to apply to the Town for their own funding for these items.

Librarian's Report:

Cory reviewed her report.

Matter's Arising:

<u>Library Budget for 2026</u>: Bridgete and Cory will go to the Selectboard with the new budget for 2026 on Oct. 6, 2025. Bridgete suggested presenting the same budget as it was for 2025. The Town takes into consideration costs of living adjustments for staff. The budget will include \$200 increase for books and materials and potential exploration of digital copies. The postage line is adequate to cover the lost grant for courier services.

MOTION to approve the 2026 Moretown Community Budget to go before the Selectboard on October 6th, 2025 by Erin Hunt. Seconded by Dan Zucker. Approved unanimously.

<u>Separate budget for the Historical Society</u>, i.e., the old library: We would like the electricity and heating for the old library removed from of our budget. Don Wexler agreed that the Town would cover these costs for this year and next year. Our MOU states that we are not paying these costs. A working session will be needed to tease out what the library's portion is for heat/electricity in our current location. The Town may be asking an attorney to see what it would take to make the old library a Town building rather than owned by the library. In addition, there will be a working session with Cory, Bridgete, Cherilyn and a member of the Selectboard to "clean up" the budget for transparency and clarity.

MOU with Historical Society for 2025 has been signed.

<u>Policy Update</u>: We reviewed the policies up to Meeting Policies.

MOTION to approve the changes to the policies by Erin Hunt. Bridgete seconded. Approved unanimously.

Next meeting: **Tuesday, November 11**th **at 6:30pm** pending Pam Barnes' approval. Cory will not be able to attend.

Erin moved to adjourn at 8:03pm. Seconded by Bridgete.