

Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting
Draft Minutes

Meeting Date – November 23rd, 2020

Meeting Time – 5:30 pm, Location – Google online meeting

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Members Present: Chris Stephenson, Becky Auger, Steve Robbins, John Atkinson, Susan Werntgen, Chuck Burt, Meg Schultz

Public Present: Steve Sharpe presenting

Meeting called to order at 5:33PM by Steve Robbins.

1. Public Comment

No public comment

2. Agenda

- Budget feedback/update
- Moretown Nature Trail and Skills Park
- Steve Sharpe / Backcountry Ski Alliance
- Court Closure for the year
- New Request - Discuss the port-o-let rental situation

3. Minutes from 10/26/2020

Steve made a motion to approve the draft minutes pending any questions or comments. Hearing none, all approved.

4. Backcountry Alliance Presentation - Steve Sharpe

BCA as an organization is focused on helping educate and support land access for VT residents & visitors to participate in a variety of snow sports throughout the state. The local chapter would like to partner with the town to host an event. They have requested support from the Rec Committee to host an event for backcountry gear education, on snow techniques & skills, and general snow safety. This would likely leverage the parking area, pavilion, rec fields, and the immediate slopes just above the fields (these slopes were recently mowed in October as they have been annually in years past). Additional discussion to expand the quality and reach of skiable trails in the town forest just above the septic field. This specific topic will be included in a future meeting. Motion to give the BCA support from the Rec Committee to seek permission from the select board to define and host an event focused on backcountry winter sports training events. Hearing none, all in support, no nays, approved.

5. Moretown Nature Trail & Skills Park

Season for trail work is wrapping up as winter approaches. Final cleanup is this weekend to relocate materials around the trail that will be used in the spring to finalize stabilization of the trails. Discussion of stabilizing the trails as best as possible considering slippery mud areas,

weather pending more materials will be added to key areas of concern. Winter is pressing in.

6. Budget Draft

Steve has requested the matching funds and sign invoices and funding

7. Update on the Courts

Nets came down a couple weeks ago. Request for a temporary winter net but at this point due to the covid restrictions it's no longer a concern.

No meeting in December, Happy Holidays.

Draft Agenda for Meeting on January 25, 2020 at 5:30pm

- Budget feedback/update
- Moretown Nature Trail and Skills Park updates, planning for Phase II
- Steve Sharpe / Backcountry Ski Alliance

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Meeting adjourned at 6:38PM.