Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 4/24/2023 Meeting Time: 5:45pm @ Moretown Town Office

Members Present: Chris Stephenson, Lee-Anne Martin, Susan Werntgen, Becky Auger, & Gregg Mason

Public Present: Neil Mostov, Krista Auger-Mitchell, Saiward Turnbaugh

Meeting called to order at 5:48pm. Minutes from 3/23/2023 meetings were approved with Susan making the motion and Chris seconded with no discussion.

## **Public Comment:**

Krista Auger-Mitchell and Saiward Turnbaugh expressed interest to join the Rec Committee. Krista is interested in starting a Moretown tennis league as well. Susan reported that she has been investigating a way to get a schedule for pickle ball and have it linked with tennis as well. Susan informed us that leagues and lessons are being looked at also. Right now the Moretown Pickle Ball Group meets Tuesday night, Thursday and Sunday mornings, currently first come, first serve. Krista will look into player.com for a tennis league sign up as Susan informed her this is what the pickle ball group uses.

Neil Mostov voiced a desire to make more pickle ball courts out of the existing tennis courts. There was discussion about the budget and how and who would paint more lines and portable nets.

Krista and Saiward are willing to ask the Selectboard to be appointed to the Rec Committee.

## Agenda:

• Budget Updates - No updates

• **Portalets** - They will be placed on May 1 and stay through November 1 and handicap accessible.

• Tennis nets up, benches, etc. - Nets are up. Neil needs to give an invoice to Cherilyn for benches to get reimbursed.

• **New School contact** - Mandy will be leaving her position as school principal. Chris suggested we need a new school contact person for conversations about the Eco Classrooms. Becky suggested Pam Dow or Jenny Lyle.

• **Trail Updates** - Trail clean up is planned Friday 4/28 with the help of GMVS students, and again mid-May with Harwood Middle School club. The MRR has funding to bring machinery to fix the trails. There was discussion about the berm erosion under the power line. Chris will contact MRR about repairing it. It was also agreed that the Kiosk should have all the town trails on the map, including Ancient Apple.

• **Pollinator Gardens** - Susan will be in contact with Patrick Kitchen about what should be done for this spring.

• **Fence Quote** - Chris contacted the fence company. The estimate was \$883 from Mike White which is not including the gate. The committee decided however the gate should be included. Lee-Anne made the motion to fix the fence including the gate. Gregg seconded, and the motion was approved. Chris will check on the timeline for it to be completed.

• **Town Forest Management plan** - The foresters prescription map was reviewed. Chris reported the town committee will continue discussion about cutting and the logging road. The

town forest management committee will discuss what to cut at their next meeting. Historic sites should be included as well, Chris said. The Rec Committee agreed that historic sites should be included in the new management plan.

• Website planning - no updates.

• **Rec Committee Members, future planning** - Site walk took place about Doug Reed's proposed amphitheater before the Rec Committee Meeting today. The Selectboard has approved a subcommittee to investigate the project's possibility. Lee-Anne will contact the Selectboard as to what exactly this subcommittee is doing and context of it. Possible new members Krista and Saiward were encouraged to join the committee.

Motion to adjourn @ 7:45pm by Lee-Anne, seconded by Chris. Next meeting 5/22/2023 @ 5:45pm