

## **Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date** – *June 26, 2023*

**Meeting Time** – *5:45 pm, Location* – *Town Pavilion*

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

**Public Present:** *Neal Mostov*

*Meeting called to order at 6:07 PM*

*Public comment*

- There was new discussion about Neal joining the rec committee after he sent an email to the select board asking to be placed on the committee. There is some confusion about how to go about being appointed to the rec committee. Chris is going to reach out to the select board to find out the exact protocol for someone to join and remain on the committee.

*Approval of the minutes from April meeting*

- April minutes were approved with the amendment to say that the small gate will **not** be fixed on the ball field

*Agenda*

- Budget
  - Neal presented the cost to buy more pickleball nets and paint the pickleball courts to create four courts. This will be put into the budget for next year. Quote of \$610 total.
  - A motion was made to paint two additional courts in a way that would change the current layout to accommodate four pickleball courts. Current use of tennis courts will remain intact. First motion to approve was made by Susan, second motion to approve was by Chris. All were in favor.
  - A second motion was made to see if we can reappropriate the matching trail grant in the budget to purchase the paint, tape, net, and brushes to fulfill the previous motion. First motion to approve was made by Susan, second motion to approve was by Chris. All were in favor.
- Portalets
  - No updates.
- School contact

- Chris is to meet with Katie Liptak, exact details to be determined. More discussion will take place after that meeting regarding the school contact for communication between the Rec committee and the school.
- Trail updates
  - HUMS students worked on June 9th, 2023 on the trails. They did work on Hornbeam Ridge. Chris will be in touch with the Mad River Rioters about further work on the trails.
- Pollinator Gardens
  - Susan provided updates. Patrick Kitchen did more work in the gardens. We discussed signage to designate how to treat the gardens, and admire the gardens. Signage will be coming from “Bee the Change”.
  - There was discussion on educating students on how to pick the seeds at the end of the season, with a possible collaboration with the Eco program.
- Fence quotes
  - No new updates. Chris will follow up with the fence company.
- Town Forest Management plan
  - Their next meeting is June 29th, 2023. The committee is supposed to discuss more on where to propose cutting and to address and ask for more community feedback.
- Mowing/brush hog
  - No updates.
- Storywalk Expansion (minor)
  - The library would like to add in four more signs.
- Website content
  - There was discussion about adding the tennis courts, pickleball courts, rec field offerings on to the town website.
- New members
  - Chris reported Saiward Turnbaugh is interested in joining the committee.

*New business*

- Playground improvements were discussed, in addition to invasive plant reduction.

*Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.*