

Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting

Meeting Date – March 24, 2025

Meeting Time – 6pm, Location – Town Office

Members Present: Chris Stephenson, Sue Werntgen, Saiward Turnbaugh, Lee-Anne Martin, Neil Mostov, Mike Strojny

Public Present: None

Meeting called to order at: 6:04 PM

Agenda

- Approve Minutes
- Budget Update
- Playground Discovery Work
- Website Content Management / Instagram
- VOREC / Conservation & Recreation Visioning Committee update
- Tennis Court
- Fields Maintenance
- Trails maintenance / Steward / Town Meeting table

1. **Approve minutes:** <https://www.moretownvt.org/minutes-and-agendas/recreation-committee-minutes-agendas/>

Motion to approve the minutes from the January 27 meeting as amended, Lee Anne made the motion, Chris seconded. Approved.

2. **Budget**

Chris will investigate timing and procedures for joining the Mad River Valley Recreation District. Mike S has expressed interest in becoming the Moretown representative to that Board.

The budget amount for soccer goals is less than that discussed with the Select Board as the cost of better quality goals that will last longer. Mike made a motion for Chris to update the quotes he had for goals and meet with the Selectboard to discuss approval of the dollar amount. Chris seconded the motion and it was approved.

3. **Playground discovery work**

Susan will reconnect with Kate Liptak to move playground planning forward. Should planning for the school playground proceed in view of pending decisions on school closures? We will try to move forward on a design and budget estimate for the town playground and researching grant sources.

4. **Website Content Management / Instagram**

Carol Chamberlain will be working on the Moretown site.

The Instagram account started by Greg Mason for the Recreation Committee has been closed. Mike S will send Darlene/Carol activity updates.

5. VOREC

The next update will be in a shareable document.

6. Tennis Courts

Wasted will be asked to return the porta-potties to their original location before Morefest. Cracks in the court pavement will be filled when the weather allows.

7. Field Maintenance

A storm brought down a GMP power pole in February. GMP made repairs but will return to clean up in April when the snow is gone.

Mad River Riders will do maintenance in the skills park. The berm needs repair and we need a mowing - weed whacking plan with Martin and Stephan

8. Trails Maintenance

Chris has scheduled a cleanup workday for May 9, 9am-12pm. GMVS students will volunteer help.

Chris brought up a request by Jeff Rubin on Old Gulf Road for advice on a trail system on his property that might be available for public use. Mike will talk to Jeff to see if he is still interested in meeting and walking the property.

There is also a town owned parcel off the north side of Cox Brook Road that the Recreation Committee is not familiar with.

The Town Forest tree harvest plan is looking for a staging / landing site on South Hill Road in the vicinity of the trailhead. Concerns include visibility for traffic, neighbors and suitability for use by vehicle to get logs out.

Next Regular Meeting

Monday, April 28, 2025 at 6pm

Proposed Agenda:

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- Town Forest Management Plan

Ongoing Business

- Bylaws review draft template (on hold)
- Storywalk reroute

Meeting adjourned at: 8:00pm