

Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting

Meeting Date: August 24, 2026

Meeting Time and Location: 6pm @ Town Office (Pavillion)

Members present: Chris Stephenson, Neal Mostov, Saiward Turnbaugh

Public Present: Louisa Wilson

Meeting Called to order at 6:05pm

Agenda

1. Approve Minutes
2. Budget Updates
3. Updates: Morefest, succession planning, Rec Land Use Policy, Accessible Storywalk
4. Maintenance: Fields, Trails, Court, Storywalk
5. Upcoming: NPS / FEMA project public feedback plan

1. Minutes

Motion to approve the June 22nd, 2026 minutes by Chris, Seconded by Neal. No discussion.

2. Budget

Budget due in September. FY26 - no budgeting issues. FY27 - no significant changes projected.

Discussion: As part of the 2027 budget process the Rec Committee is advising the Select Board to consider adding language to our reserve fund to include recreational assets and specifically a tennis/pickle ball fund for future court replacement. Motion to post an article at Town Meeting that would amend the Town's Maintenance Reserve Fund to include assets for recreation; specifically the courts. And to fund it with 7K per year for 3 years to build up to 21K for the projected work needed in 2030.

Motion to submit request to the Select Board made by Chris. Motion seconded by Saiward.

Wasted Billing: Chris connected with Sasha to understand the Wasted billing, Wasted is working internally to correct our account to show one accessible unit past the pavilion near the storage shed. Neal to follow up.

Morefest Unit: an additional unit is being requested to support Morefest on September 19th, 2026. Cost of the unit to be included in the Morefest budget.

3. Updates

Morefest

Date: 9/19/26. 4pm until dark.

Volunteers: few spots still to fill. Please contact Louisa / Natasha / Chris at moretownmorefest@gmail.com

Info Hub: New! To include volunteer and vendor check in, free stickers, event info, etc.

Fireworks: Fireworks have been approved.

Vendors: 24 vendors have signed up.

Band: The award winning Glam Cowboys have been confirmed to come back for their 2nd consecutive appearance at Morefest!

Budget: Motion for the signage budget to include use for general event supplies up to \$250 by Chris. Seconded by Neal and Saiward.

Succession Planning

Recruitment is still necessary as current membership is down to four (4). Brainstormed projects for new members to take on or become involved in: Disc Golf course. Projected cost - \$800.

Start with a temporary 3-hole loop (lower fields & skills park areas). Add to the proposed budget.

Ongoing projects: Pollinator gardens, Morefest, Trail Maintenance, Skills Park, Courts - Pickleball/Tennis Master, Playground, Instagram.

Action Items:

- a. Post to FPF via town Clerk, School Newsletter, reach out to community members individually - All
- b. Build an updated volunteer contact list - XXXXX

Recreational Land Use Policy: Chris and Saiward to connect.

NPS FEMA Buyouts: Booth at Morefest. The recreational visioning map is nearly ready for public feedback.

Gaga Pit: Gaga pit is in!

Playground: No updates

4. Storywalk

Applying for grants. The T-Mobile grant wasn't approved.

5. Upcoming

Sitewalk

Next Regular Meeting

Monday, September 28, 2026 at 6pm Town Office

Proposed Agenda:

- Approve 8/24/26 Minutes
- Public Comment
- Updates: Morefest recap, approved draft budget, succession planning
- Maintenance: Fields, Trails, Court, Storywalk
- Upcoming

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm