

**Town of Moretown
Special Select Board Meeting
01/29/2021**

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Via ZOOM Meeting ID 620 104 2716

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Or to call in: 929-205-6099

Board Members Present: Tom Martin, John Hoogenboom, Rae Washburn, Callie Streeter, Don Wexler

Guests Present: MRVTV, Cherilyn Brown, Ron Shems, Sasha Elwell-Badore

Meeting called to order at 7:00 am by Tom

Public Comment: there was none

7:01 Budget: brief discussion was had on a few adjustments in the budget. The Conex box that the road department would like purchased for storage, was discussed. Due to the location it needs to go through the DRB because of it being a flood plain. John made the motion to accept the budget of Article 6, of \$1,210,008.91, on the Town Meeting Warning. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

7:10 Articles: brief discussion was had on the Articles to go on the ballot for Town Meeting. Rae made the motion to accept the Articles for the Warning and Ballot. John seconded. All were in favor.

7:18 Mailing ballots to all active voters: discussion was started on mailing ballots to all active voters. The HUUSD Board does not want ballots mailed to all active voters. There conversations with Michelle Baker regarding this, she advised that the Board decided not to send them to everyone. If someone wants to vote on the school, they need to request that ballot. Rae asked if it was legal for the HUUSD to do that, do they have that power? Tom then called the Town Attorney to get his input on this. Ron needed to do some research on that inquiry.

Cherilyn advised what she learned from the Governor's directive, towns will be reimbursed for mailing ballots to voters.

7:35 Reconvene: the decision was made to take a recess and reconvene later in the afternoon at 3:45 pm.

3:45 Left recess and reconvened: All were present from earlier in the meeting.

Tom moved to go into Executive Session: Since premature general public knowledge would clearly place the town at substantial disadvantage, I move that we enter into executive session to discuss mailing ballots to all active voters of the town under the provisions of Title 1, Sections 313 (a)(1)(F). Rae seconded. All were in favor.

4:08 Tom moved to go out of Executive Session. John seconded. All were in favor.

John made the motion that we mail out ballots to all active voters. Callie seconded. Discussion was had to amend the motion, John amended the motion to mail both the Town & HUUSD ballots. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

The Informational Meeting will be held at 7:00 pm February 22 via Zoom.

Adjourn: Tom made the motion to adjourn at 4:12 pm. Callie seconded. All were in favor.