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**Moretown Select Board Meeting  
June 5, 2023 at 6:00 PM  
79 School Street  
In the John Hoogenboom Meeting Room  
Via ZOOM Meeting ID 620 104 2716 or call in: 929-205-6099**

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**Members Present:** Tom Martin, John Hoogenboom, Callie Streeter, Robin Campbell, (not present Don Wexler)

**Guests Present:** ORCA, MRVTV, Mike Wheeler (Vermont Security), Cory Stephenson, Clark Amadon, Rae Washburn, Emily Hackett, Stefan Pratt, Sasha Elwell

**Meeting called to order** by Tom at 6:00 PM

**Public Comment:** Cory was present to touch base on the town hall custodian position. The SB gave permission to advertise for it, Cory will get with Sasha on getting that set up.

6:03 **Wastewater** – Clark needed to get the SB approval on the application for the first step of the wastewater project. In order for things to move forward, the application needed to be signed. Clark is in hopes that the test pits can be coordinated for next week.

6:15 **Vermont Security** – Mike was present to speak with the SB about a quote on security cameras for the town office. The quote included two exterior and two interior cameras. The quote was for \$5,326 and Cherilyn found a grant that would cover roughly two-thirds of it. The grant is one that does run out if others are utilizing it, so the sooner it is applied for, the better. Mike was asked to send references to the SB and he said that he would email them.

6:25 **SCBA quotes** – Stefan was present to let the SB know the three quotes for an additional SCBA pack for the fire department. It was agreed that it should be the same brand that has been purchased, that way parts are interchangeable if needed. Reynold's was picked for \$9,339.59, Stefan will get it ordered.

Quick discussion was had on the \$200,000 deposit for the fire truck, Stefan wanted to remind them that the money will grow interest once the deposit is given.

Stefan let the SB know that he has had to put some money into the four fire department vehicles, to be inspected. It's going to be roughly \$4,000, but still within the equipment budget.

At the next FD meeting, they will be discussing advertisements for recruiting volunteers. They had an open house in May and there were three people that showed up.

6:35 **RFP Clerk of the Works for the Stormwater Project** – only one RFP was received from On Point Engineering & Consulting LLC. Proposal is based on 240 hours at \$65 per hour, totaling \$15,600.00. Tom **made the motion to accept the proposal from On Point Engineering**. Robin seconded. All were in favor. John will be the contact person on the SB. Rae will send the reports to Sasha for distribution to the SB.

**Reports & Communications:** quick discussion was had on the first July SB meeting, because of the way the holiday falls. All agreed that moving the first meeting to July 10<sup>th</sup> was better as far as good attendance and some being off on July 3<sup>rd</sup> verses the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Sasha had financial reports for the SB from Cherilyn. Along with the updated personnel policy for final approval, Washington County Sheriff contract, and an email from Neal Mostov asking to be put on the recreation committee.

Callie had a chance to speak with Bobby Halpin regarding his email about opening up roads to ATV's. Bobby plans on reaching out to be put on a SB agenda.

John spoke with Calvin Blodgett regarding the trees in LT 17. They do not want them, there was quick discussion on the width of the trail. John plans on talking to Martin about taking down the trees, it should be something that the road crew can do. The SB may take a walk there, before an August SB meeting and have Martin join them. This will be warned once decided. John pointed out that Guy Martin has been very patient.

Quick discussion was had on the under dug pine tree on the Martin's property on the Moretown Mountain Road, one quote has been received and another one will be done June 16. A third company will be contacted, Snapping Turtle Tree Works out of Northfield.

**Old Business:** Tom brought up Bliss Ridge and the discussion that was had at the last SB meeting. He advised that he did go ahead and approve the liquor license for them due to the SB not having authority to not approve it, just because of a separate dispute going on. He let the SB know that Karen has issued them a violation. Karen will also be monitoring some of their events with the decimal meter.

John mentioned the crosswalk in the village. And while on that topic Tom brought up the crack in the sidewalk by the store that was never attended to. The contractor was supposed to be cutting a check back to the town for not getting back to fix it. John will speak to Rae on it, he was the one handling it previously.

**New Business:** Tom met with Frank Piazza and the others as planned. Tom asked that if anyone know of a contractor that is insured and willing to fill out an affidavit as to whether or not the work at Frank's has been done or not done, to let him know.

An additional document for the SB approval was for the junk yard on Route 2 – Certificate of Approval for Location of a Salvage Yard. It was declined and Tom asked that Sasha have them come into the next SB meeting on June 20.

Quick discussion was had on getting other quotes for security cameras.

Robin **made the motion** to approve the SB minutes of 5/15/2023. John seconded but with a change to the assistant librarian pay – should read previously at \$16.04 per hour with a raise of \$1.08, totaling \$17.12 per hour. Robin **made the motion** to approve the SB minutes of 5/15/2023 with the amendment that John described. John seconded again. All were in favor.

**Warrants** and documents approved and signed: Personnel Policy, Washington County Sheriff contract, On Point Engineering and warrants.

Payroll 23024 e – checks 4268 – 4277

Payroll 23026 e – checks 4278 – 4287

Accounts Payable 23025 checks 23933 – 23970

**Adjourn:** Tom made the motion to adjourn at 7:15 PM. Callie seconded. All were in favor.