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**Moretown Select Board Meeting**  
**June 20, 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, Don Wexler, Robin Campbell, (not present Callie Streeter)

**Guests Present:** ORCA, MRVTV, Chris Hunt (VTrans), Emily Lewis (Dubois & King), Brian Cooke, Carla Francis, Dan & Jordan von Trapp, Dana Jinkins, John Riley, Steven Heffernan, Cale Roberge, Bernardo Silva, Paul Trusty, Nick & Melissa Pizzuti, Sasha Elwell

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

**Public Comment:** there was none

6:02 **Local Concerns Meeting for the Gallagher Acres Sidewalk Scoping Study** – Emily explained the process of what is going on with the scoping study. They are studying the area on Route 100 and Route 2 near Gallagher Acres. Looking at anything that may hinder moving forward with a sidewalk. They were present to hear any feedback from area residents and all of them voiced in favor of a sidewalk project. Everyone that was voicing in favor, would like it to be a sidewalk with curbing and ramps, versus having asphalt. Dubois & King will be holding another public meeting in the fall.

6:30 **GHR** – (Salvage yard on Route 2) discussion was had on the fencing, (which the SOV refers to as shielding) they have been working with the SOV on the patching up the fence and being compliant. Their goal is to have a new fence and bring down some of the buildings, they are aware that what is in place is not attractive and are willing to work with the SB. They agreed to prioritize the patches that are detached to get it covered up sooner, rather than later. The agreement was to have it done by July 10 and then the issue of approving their Certificate will be revisited.

6:40 **DRB** discussions: John was present to touch base with the SB on two things that have been on the radar for different issues. Bernardo Silva – home occupation and Bliss Ridge – treehouses. Each was discussed with both applicants, John suggested that Bernardo be remanded back to the DRB in light of H270 bill that was passed, pushing his occupation (cannabis) under agriculture. Tom will speak with Ron and have him reach out to Silva's attorney. After brief discussion with the von Trapp's Tom also advised that he would discuss the situation with Ron as well.

7:35 **Reports & Communications:** Sasha asked about a replacement for Rae Washburn's position on the stormwater project. John doesn't believe that a second person is needed, since Cherilyn is a part of it as well.

The blinking speed limit trailer was quickly discussed and all agreed that the trailer should be moved every week and a half or so, if possible.

Don let the SB know that there is an interested party in renting the town hall for long term, weekly, for martial arts classes.

Tom brought up something that caught his attention with the library donations being given to the Friends of the Library. Tom mentioned that it is a town library. Don will look into it to see what it going on with the donations.

Tom had a complaint about the camping at the Route 2 picnic area. This has been an issue before and VSP addressed it. While on the subject the question of who takes care of that area in terms of being mowed was brought up, due to it looking a bit overgrown. Sasha will work on finding that out.

**Old Business:** John spoke with Rae regarding the section of sidewalk that needed repair. The last conversation he had about it was with Joe Gabaree and he was going to get Rae a quote. Rae is going to reach back out to Jeff Newton to see if they are still willing to cut a check to the town for \$1,000.

**New Business:** Tom let the SB know that Cherilyn submitted for the grant on security cameras and it was awarded to the town.

Tom advised that he had spoken with Shawn Bartlett with the Moretown General Store and they agreed to donate \$1,000 again this year towards the pig roast for Morefest. Tom put out a challenge to the other SB members to find \$500 each in donations for Morefest as well.

**Warrants** signed and approved:  
Accounts payable 23028 check 23971 – 24010  
Payroll 23027 e – checks 4288 - 4297

The next SB meeting is July 10, due to the holiday and the way that it falls.

Robin **made the motion to approve** the SB minutes of 6/05/2023. John seconded. All were in favor.

**Adjourn:** Tom made the motion to adjourn at 8:05 PM. Robin seconded. All were in favor.