
Moretown Select Board Meeting
July 10, 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

Members Present: Tom Martin, John Hoogenboom, via Zoom Don Wexler, Robin Campbell, Callie Streeter

Guests: ORCA, Martin Cameron, Misha Golfman – (Mad River Path), Jordan von Trapp, Ron Shems, Sasha Elwell

Meeting called to order by Tom at 6:05 Pm

Public Comment: Martin was present to give the SB an update on the flooding. Roads that have so far been affected are Lover’s Lane, Jones Brook Road, Ward Brook Road, Herring Brook Road, Brownsville Road, River Road and possibly Lynch Hill Road. Water came up by feet in a matter of minutes, nothing can be done until the water recedes. Martin is lining up trucks in preparation for when the water has receded. So far, he knows that Ward Brook will need reconstruction and that there was a land slide on Herring Brook.

Tom advised that the Governor has declared a State of Emergency and for the road crew to be safe, that comes first – then to be sure that they get pictures and document everything.

6:15 **VT 100 Corridor Vision** – Misha was present to go over a vision that the Mad River Path is working on. This is a trail that would go along Route 100B, access for strollers, electric bikes, wheelchairs, etc. This would be a path ten feet wide and separate from motor vehicles. The Mad River Path is asking the town to think about the concept, they will be applying for a grant through AOT for a scoping study. Tom suggested that he meet with the Road Safety Committee and the Planning Commission. Sasha will get Misha in contact with the two.

6:29 Tom **made the motion to go into Executive Session** for Title 1 VSA, 313 (a) (1) (F) confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the body. Ron Shems was included. John seconded. All were in favor.

6:45 Tom **made the motion to come out of Executive Session.** John seconded. All were in favor.

Until Jordan could join back into the meeting, discussion was had on **GHR Enterprises** Certificate of Approval for location of a Salvage Yard. It was agreed that GHR has done what they were asked to do with the fencing. The SB agreed to sign the Certificate for two years.

6:51 John **made the motion** to accept the agreement between Bliss Ridge (von Trapp’s) and the Town of Moretown. Don seconded. All were in favor. Ron will send the agreement to the

court and it should be back to the Town within two weeks. It will then go to Karen the Zoning Administrator.

6:56 John **made the motion** to accept the Certificate of Approval for Location of a Salvage Yard for GHR Enterprises for two years. Callie seconded. All were in favor. Sasha will send it off to GHR once all the SB members are able to sign off on the form. (with the flooding, three members were unable to attend the meeting in person).

6:57 **Reports & Communications:** Don let the SB know that there will be an individual renting the town hall on a six-month span for martial arts classes once a week on Wednesdays. He will be paying the rental for two months at a time.

Quick discussion was had on the picnic area on Route 2, Sasha was asked to contact Michelle Redmond regarding the mowing, it doesn't look like it has been done this year so far.

John mentioned the Town Forest meeting for July 26.

Don **made the motion to approve the SB minutes** of 6/20/2023. John seconded. All were in favor.

Warrants signed and approved: John and Tom signed and approved. The rest of the SB will go to the town office after the water recedes from flooding to approve.

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Accounts Payable 23030 checks 24011 – 24012

Adjourn: Robin made the motion to adjourn at 7:08 PM. Don seconded. All were in favor.