## Moretown Select Board Meeting September 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

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

Guests: MRVTV, Michelle Beard, Angelo Napolitano, Cory Stephenson, Sasha Elwell

Meeting called to order by John at 6:12 PM

**Public Comment**: Angelo was present to speak with the SB about permission to have Dick Valentinetti inspect some rot that was found under one of the The Commons units. John **made the motion** to allow Dick to go with Angelo to inspect the crawl space at The Commons. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

Michelle was present to ask the SB to be judges for the Cookie Bake Off at Morefest. It will be from 6:00-6:30 PM and one judge will do one category. John, Tom and Callie will be judges.

Discussion was had on a plan for rain the day of Morefest, a decision will be made by noon on Saturday.

After Morefest the committee will be bringing a draft of policies to the SB for approval, as the event is getting bigger and bigger every year.

6:22 **Animal Control Ordinance** – discussion was had on putting the revised ordinance in place. Robin **made the motion** to approve the ACO as written. John seconded. All were in favor.

6:24 **Reports & Communications**: Cherilyn needed a motion on the financing for the grader. NSB could do a 15-year loan at 5.35% - Community Bank could do a 15-year loan at 4.93%. John **made the motion** to approve the loan through Community Bank for 15-years at 4.93%. Robin seconded. All were in favor.

Discussion was had on the revised Snapping Turtle bid for the Moretown Mountain Road tree on the Martin's property. John **made the motion** to go with the bid from Snapping Turtle for \$2,500 and get the tree taken down. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

Saiward Turnbaugh submitted an email of interest in being appointed to the Recreation Committee. John **made the motion** to appoint Saiward to the Recreation Committee. Robin seconded. All were in favor.

Don and Cory met with Sam Lash regarding the MERP grants. They are planning an event at the town hall to provide information and education about the plan for the town hall and combine it with energy out reach. They are planning on having local foods, wine and music for October 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 PM.

Don obtained two out of four proposals on the topographical survey that he put the RFP out for. Gilson from Waterbury was one that got back to him at \$2,500. Don proposed to the SB that part of that \$4,000 grant from MERP be used towards the survey. Don will send out the RFP to the rest of the SB. Robin **made the motion** to use the \$2,500 of the (\$4,000) MERP grant to go towards the survey for the town hall and the 10/14 event. John seconded. All were in favor.

Don spoke about the Road Safety Committee letter and hoping to have it out for people to sign at Morefest. The letter is in reference to the speed on dirt roads and dropping the speed limit on Route 100B to 35 mph where it is now 40 mph. Don **made the motion** to approve the traffic slowing letter for Route 2 and Route 100B. Robin seconded. All were in favor.

Don had a chance to speak with the residents that live on the corner of Pony Farm Road where there have been issues with them parking. Quick discussion was had and Don will stop to see them again and ask them to a SB meeting.

Callie mentioned a car that has been abandoned in the middle of the road on Lynch Hill, she has received a couple of phone calls. She will get with the constable to see what can be done.

Callie **made the motion** to approve the SB minutes of 8/21/2023. Robin seconded. All were in favor.

7:09 **Old Business**: there is a progress meeting on Thursday regarding the stormwater project. Easements are still holding things up a bit.

7:10 New Business: there was none

Warrants approved and signed:

Payroll 23038 e – checks 4344 – 4353

Accounts Payable 23039 checks 24152 - 24170

Accounts Payable 23040 checks 24171 – 24193

Liquor licenses for Bliss Ridge approved

Waterbury Fire Protection Contract approved

Adjourn: John made the motion to adjourn at 7:18 PM. Robin seconded. All were in favor.