
**Moretown Select Board Meeting
Monday, October 20, 2025 at 6:00 PM
79 School Street
In the John Hoogenboom Meeting Room
Via ZOOM Meeting ID 620 104 2716
call in: 929-205-6099**

Members Present: Tom Martin, Don Wexler, Mike Brown, Callie Streeter, Robin Campbell

Guests present: ORCA, Carol Chamberlin (zoning), Rae Washburn, Clark Amadon, Robert Clark (Otter Creek, Senior Engineer), David Grebe (VLCT Attorney), Mark Giometti (MRVAS), Sasha Elwell

Tom called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Public Comment: Carol was present to speak with the SB about the EWP work finishing up and the job needing to have an inspection done. That part of the government is shut down right now and there is no one to speak with. So rather than wait for an answer on whether or not to have the inspection done, the SB agreed that it should just be done, so go ahead with it. Tom will sign off on the agreement. The town will pay the \$500-750 for the inspection to be done, reading through the paperwork, it looks to be a reimbursed item.

Carol brought to the SB attention, just in case something comes up for the town later down the road, the Vermont Testing property on Route 2. As of right now the SOV is involved because they brought in so much fill without permitting. Any fines issues with what has been done so far without permits, the SOV is dealing with.

Carol let the SB know that one of the Douglass properties has been pulled out of the buyout, due to the EWP work being done. Quick discussion was had on the buyouts.

6:10 Final Update Village Wastewater: Clark and Robert were present to summarize their findings on this project. Other towns have done this process four times before having a successful outcome. Clark said he would be sending the report to Cheryllyn to have it get posted to the town website on Tuesday. Tom asked about the remaining \$21K that is still outstanding in being owed to the town for reimbursement. Clark said that he was waiting on the SB meeting to be in contact with someone at the SOV for the final signature.

6:50 MRVAS: Mark was present to give the SB an update on what has been going on since he had visited the SB last June. In 2026 they are being forced to obtain outside help with their training. It's good for the citizens but it is costing, and it will increase their budget by \$55K a year, as well as, adding some benefits to their one employee of \$13K. Barre Town will be coming in to do the training and help with coverage in the valley while training is going on. The MRVAS is renewing their request from the Town of Moretown again for \$6K donation to help

cover costs. The SB agreed to that amount. Mark advised the MRVAS covered 432 calls as of the end of September this year.

Skipped the **Purchase Policy Discussion** due to Some Executive Session items that had come up unexpectedly.

7:00 **Reports & Communications:** There was an email from Dan McHugh to share about thanking the crew that assists him and raising the flags and taking them down every year. SB asked that a thank you go out to Dan as well.

Stefan put in a request for his ACO pay but the office hasn't received his logs yet.

There is a pay approval sheet for the new assistant librarian.

Cherilyn left current budget status reports for the SB.

Quick discussion was had on having one person showing interest in representing the town at the MRVRD, Mike DeBonis. The SB would like to have him to a meeting and talk with him.

Mike brought up the water fountain at the town office, it was suggested that it be discussed at the meeting the town office budget is talked about.

Don brought up the town rep for the MRVRD, there was an email from on person – Mike DeBonis. It was agreed to have him into a meeting to speak with.

Quick discussion was had on the town garage boiler and a decision will be made at the November 3rd SB meeting.

Discussion was had on the railing at the town office. It will be taken down this week and brought to be fixed.

Tom, Mike and Martin walked LT 17 and Martin will be cutting some trees, (2-rod).

Tom let everyone know that an additional \$310,400 was awarded for the sidewalk. He also advised that Cherilyn applied and was awarded for the town, \$75K that can not be spent on FEMA / flooding related expenses. No decision would be made on it yet.

Mike **made the motion** to approve the SB minutes of 10/06/2025. Robin seconded. All were in favor.

7:15 pm Tom **made the motion** to go into Executive Session per Title 1 VSA 313 (1) after making a specific finding that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the public body or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage: (F) confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the body. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

7:48 Tom **made the motion** to exit Executive Session. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

7:49 Tom **made the motion** to go back into Executive Session per Title 1 VSA 313 (1) after making a specific finding that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the public body or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage: (F) confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the body. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

8:16 Tom **made the motion** to exit Executive Session. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

8:17 Tom **made the motion** to go back into Executive Session (1) after making a specific finding that premature general public knowledge would clearly place the public body or a person involved at a substantial disadvantage.

8:31 Tom **made the motion** to exit Executive Session. Callie seconded. All were favor. Action taken to approve use of the Charles O. Davis fund.

Warrants signed and approved 25054 Accounts Payable checks 26642 – 26650; 25055 Payroll e – checks 4943 – 4951; 25056 Accounts Payable 26651 – 26679

Other documents for approval: road maintenance permit, curb cut, overload permit, and 3 liquor licenses

Adjourn: Tom **made the motion** to adjourn at 8:35 pm. Callie seconded. All were in favor.