

Moretown Memorial Library Board of Trustees Minutes  
Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 11, 2021 6:30 p.m.

Use Zoom Link below to join meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83878473345>

**Not Approved**

In attendance: Jamie Wimble, Cory Stephenson, Michelle Beard, Allison Dellner, Emily Wood

6:35 Call to Order

6:35 Public Comment

- Delighted by the hearts all over town and the storywalk put up through the town forest trail. Kudos to Moretown School for setting this all up.

6:37 Reading - Allison e e cummings "[Love is More Thicker Than Forget](#)"

6:39 Secretary's Report [Meeting Minutes from January 14, 2021](#)

Highlights:

- Michelle will keep attending Select Board meetings until budget is approved
- Town Meeting was discussed
- MOU was discussed
- Rural Libraries Grant was explored

Change in the Jan minutes: Should say 97% of the *operational* budget. We spent 85.02% of total budget.

Jamie Wimble made a motion to approve the January minutes with the updated budget numbers. Seconded by Michelle Beard. All voted to approve.

#### 6:44 The Future - Discussion and Planning

Checking in on who is on the ballot:

- Emily Wood on for 1 year
- Jen Hill on for 3 year
- Allison didn't get her paperwork in on time. We can organize a write in voting campaign.
- Michelle will resign at the end of this term. This leaves a 2 year term open.
- We discussed people who might want to serve as a trustee.

#### 6:47 Matters Arising

- Don joined us to tell us that he was excited to share about starting our "Town Hall" committee. There will be 8 people on it. The first meeting will be Feb 18 @ 6:30. The meeting will be warned with a zoom link available to the public if they want to watch the meeting.

#### 6:57 Returning to The Future- Discussion and Planning

- We thank Michelle for all the hard work she has done as a trustee, especially as Treasurer.
- Jamie suggests that we move to meeting every other month. We could always schedule emergency meetings if there is a real reason that we need to meet.
- Jamie also suggests that we no longer join select board meetings unless we are asked to join.

Jamie Wimble moves to update our regular meeting schedule to every other month starting in March. They would be the 2nd Thursday at 6:30. Allison Dellner seconded. The motion passes.

- Update on the Friends of the Moretown Library: There are few continuing members and a few new members to the group.
- Summer time: visioning, goal setting, plan for the future
- After town meeting day: organizational meeting & training on what it means to be a trustee

7:17 Treasurer's Report/2021 Budget : See [document](#)

- The library budget was approved by the select board. We received everything we asked for plus a 2% raise for library employees.
- The biggest increases on the new budget:
  - Building maintenance
  - Materials
  - Programming
- The employee raise is the same hours but 2% increase on the rate.
- Memberships: one of the memberships lost the check, if another check will need to be cut so it will look like it comes out of this year's budget.
- Michelle will update all treasurer docs and put them in the shared google drive folder.

7:24 Librarian's Report/Limited opening: See [document](#)

- Highlights:
  - 6 Virtual programs during January with approx 90 people attending.
  - Trivia night that MES 5th and 6th graders helped write about Mythology
  - A storywalk and story kit about trees that will go up after the Moretown School's Heartwalk
  - Looking to collaborate with Mad River Chamber to make a trivia night about the MRV.
  - Seed swap April 3rd
  - GMVS Building little seed libraries
  - Chair yoga will be using the library stage on Wednesdays.
  - The Town Hall committee, will we need a library trustee?
    - Discussion
      - Nice to have a rep
      - Feel pretty good with who is already on the committee with representing the library

- \$2000 grant from Vermont Children's Foundation on equipment that families can check out to have outdoor fun at the Rec Field
- Our numbers are at the same levels as last year and this is significant because we are still dealing with COVID.
- Limited reopening possibility: We are right around the numbers to possibly do some reopening opportunities such as offering appointments for people who need to use the computers.
  - Discussion:
    - Maybe wait until after town meeting day to see where the numbers are?
    - Just appointments for the computers?
    - Appointments to help with vaccine appointments?
- Microsoft Office subscription is up soon. Should we resubscribe?
  - Discussion:
    - Yes

7:51 Set next meeting date/assign reading

The 1st Thursday of March (March 4th) for an organizational meeting @ 7

The 2nd Thursday of March (March 11th) for our first meeting @ 6:30

7:58 Adjourn

Michelle moves to adjourn. Allison seconded. The motion passes.