

Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting  
Draft Minutes

Meeting Date – September 28th, 2020

Meeting Time – 5:30 pm, Location – Recreation Field Pavilion

Members Present: Chris Stephenson, Becky, Steve Robbins, John Atkinson, Susan Werntgen, Chuck Burt

Public Present: None

Meeting called to order at 5:33PM by Steve Robbins.

**1. Public Comment**

No public comment

**2. Agenda**

Steve would like to discuss future meeting locations including when to go virtual

**3. Minutes from 9/28/2020**

Motion: Chuck moved to accept as written. John seconded. Approved unanimously.

**4. Update on Mowing**

John and Chris will flag a mowing corridor in early May and meet with the mowing coordinator to align on mowing only within the flagged areas. Following that initial mowing early next spring we can pull the flags and let the mow line speak for itself. Full brush hog mowing would occur in early/mid May and again in the fall. Committee suggested we ask Meg to assist flagging the no-mow area behind the town offices in May. Chris will reach out to the selectboard and mowing contractor to ensure we have a fall brush hog effort lined up.

**5. Update on the Courts**

Courts are generally in good shape. Reconfirmed no motorized vehicle use but multi use for skateboarding, in-line skating, training wheel biking, etc is allowed up until we see concerning court degradation at which time we should consider protecting the court and potentially investing in additional facilities to accommodate these unintended original uses beyond tennis/pickle-ball. Everyone agreed we should remove the trash cans from the court. Steve moved, Chuck seconded. Unanimous agreement. Steve will bolt cut the chain and existing can out.

**6. Meeting Location**

Request to meet in the Town Hall is moving forward with the understanding that we'll follow the rules of the building including wiping down tables with sanitizer and breaking down any chairs/tables used to support the meeting.

## **7. Sign order**

Steve has completed and submitted the form, waiting for a price response from Wood Products Signs from Colorado.

## **8. Moretown Nature Trail and Skills Park**

The committee walked the trail in full to complete the meeting. Overall the trail progress was well received and the trail was already getting use from runners, walkers, and bikers. Trail crews were returning in early October to complete hand work on the upper part of the trail, the bridge at the bottom, the skills park, and address wet areas. Noted areas of concern:

- The bottom of the sledding hill above the baseball diamond, the ditch for the trail makes an abrupt transition
- Switchbacks above the court have a clay surface that will likely require sand or crushed stone once the drought like conditions return to more normal rain cycles it will likely show itself. Same under the power line.

## **Draft Agenda for Meeting on October 26, 2020**

- \* Moretown Nature Trail and Skills Park
- \* Update on Mowing
- \* Update on Trail Signage
- \* Court Update

Meeting adjourned at 6:47PM.