

Moretown Recreation Committee Meeting
Draft Minutes

Meeting Date – April 26th, 2021

Meeting Time – 5:30 pm, Location – Zoom online meeting, see below for details

Members Present: Chris Stephenson, Becky Auger, Steve Robbins, John Atkinson, Susan Werntgen, Meg Schultz

Public Present: None

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

1. Public Comment

None

2. Agenda

- Personnel
- Budget
- Trail Signs
- Moretown Nature Trail & Skills Park Update
- Town Forest Management Plan
- Mowing Plan

3. Approve minutes from 3/22/2020

Steve motioned to approve the minutes pending the following corrections, Meg 2nd. No discussion, all in favor.

- Meeting date for our next meeting should have read Monday, April 26th (not the 27th).
- Minutes approved last meeting were actually from from 1/25/2021 (not 11/23/2020)

4. Personnel

Goal to formalize a log of board membership, start dates, position held.

Steve Robbins, joined April, 2017

Chair, acting Treasurer

Sue Werntgen, joined April, 2017

John Atkinson, joined May, 2017

Chris Stephenson, joined June, 2017

Co-Chair, Secretary

Meg Schultz, joined July, 2020

Becky Auger, joined February, 2020

Action item to spread out responsibilities on the board, assign a new Treasurer, and Secretary role.

5. Budget

Steve to follow up with Selectboard to confirm if there's a formal process of cascading down a budget. Address any open tasks for the treasurer role.

6. Trail Signs

Motion: Steve motions to order more white poly, 100, and 20 directional arrow signs, not to exceed \$200. Chris 2nd'd. Discussion: Need for signs near the classroom basecamps are, those are easy spots to lose the trail. All in favor, none opposed. So moved.

Previous order of signs: \$164 dollars spent for original 100 diamond shape signs, \$109 for the 100 poly signs.

Steve will work on putting up the signs before Memorial Day. Chris offered to assist, others are welcome to join.

7. Moretown Nature Trail & Skills Park

John shared that we had 4 families, 10 kids from GMVS, Chris brought his tractor and wheelbarrows and tools. MRR will purchase more material from Kingsbury to add to the trails. To augment and fortify the sand outlined trails and enhance some of the features. Huge progress, still more stone work to complete the work. The push is to get this done by Memorial Day and the June 5th National Trail Day kickoff event.

Suggestion to add a map of the entire site, a sitemap that includes tennis courts, playground, etc. Consider adding this to our future budget.

8. Town Forest Management Plan

Jonathon Siegel planning commission chair. Covid delay on getting the plan started but it is a focus and priority for this summer. Look for them to reach out. Steve sent out the existing plan in an email to the group as a follow up since last meeting, all confirmed receipt.

9. Mowing Plan

Chris to follow up with Stefan, goal to mow less, maybe cut 25-35% out.

Next Meeting:

Monday, May 24th, 2021 at 5:30pm at the Rec Field Pavilion

Proposed Agenda:

- Town Forest Management Plan
- Mowing Plan
- Personnel History Review, New Member Updates, Roles
- Budget
- Kiosk / Trail Signs
- Moretown Nature Trail & Skills Park Update

NOTE: We are moving the meetings to in person at the Rec Field Pavilion following covid protocols as determined and supported by the Governor and Select Board. Only if rained out of the rec field pavilion, we will move the meeting online to the below zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6201042716>

Via ZOOM Meeting ID 620 104 2716

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Or to call in: 929-205-6099

Meeting adjourned at: 6:46pm by Steve