

**Town of Moretown
Selectboard Minutes
2/19/2018**

Board Members present: Tom Martin, Rae Washburn and Tom Badowski, John Hoogenboom and Jason Aronowitz

Guest present: Catrina Brackett, Cheryl Brown, Michelle Beard, Duane Pierson, Steve Smith, Cory Stephenson, Jamie Wimble and Elizabeth Burt

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Tom M.

General Public Comment: Michelle Beard was present to get the Selectboards opinion on the redesign draft work of the HUUSD board dated 2/14/2018. A few of the Selectboard members have not seen the information until tonight's meeting so didn't have an opinion yet. Tom M said to remember we as tax payers have been asking for a change.

Michelle encouraged the Selectboard to get involved with the process and attend the HUUSD Meeting on Wednesday 2/21/2018. Tom B wanted to make sure that what ever school is chosen to close if any, that a plan is in place to repurpose the school. Duane wanted to make it clear that this is just a proposal. Cheryl discussed a possibility of a petition asking the HUUSD Board to do further impact studies before closing any school. Before any discussion in made Tom M. will attend the newt HUUSD board meeting.

Duane was also present to discuss making Morefest a town event. The school/rec department has been in charge of planning and funds. A **Motion** was made by Tom B. that Morefest is a town event. John seconded the motion. All agreed.

Town Administrators report:

Lovers Lane repair – We were able to get a grant from the State Emergency Fund to make the repairs to Lovers Lane due to the rain event on January 12-13, 2018. Emergency work as billed from DuBois Construction was \$38,837.34. Cost estimate from Martin \$19,258.00, \$5,000 to install guardrails, and contingency. Grant application is for \$73,000 was approved by Dick Hosking, Vtrans District 5 Manager last week. Cheryl was able to get this grant because the cost of the work to bring the road back to pre-disaster condition exceeds 10% of our non-winter maintenance listed in the Annual Financial Plan. Rae made it clear he personally had nothing to do with the invoice and any questions should be directed to Jeff Newton at DuBois Construction.

Chery reminded the board that they still have yet to make a decision about Stefan or Eric mowing this summer? Tom M will speak with Martin before the next meeting.

Cheryl also had the letter drafted to Frank Piazza for the Selectboard to approve, concerning the sidewalk project discontinuing at his property.

Fire Department Business: Steve Smith was present to discuss an event that occurred in Middlesex they were called too. An accident of a fuel tanker on I89 cause gas to spill into the water ways. As first

responders they were responsible for trying to contain the spill before Hazmat arrived. In this process 8 sets of fire gear were contaminated and need to be replaced. Steve had received on quote from Reynolds and Sons for \$24,065.80. Cheryl reminded Steve to get a few more quotes according to the towns purchase policy. Cheryl submitted an insurance claim for the fire gear to be replaced.

Library Business: Cory, Jamie and Elizabeth were present to continue discussing the move of the Library to the Town Hall. Catrina gave them several small grant opportunities to review. Cory had spoken to Ellen Strauss who was the engineer and project manager for the Warren Town hall when the library moved into there. While the town paid for a lot of structural and compliance issues, inside the library themselves were responsible for paying for the work (bookshelves etc.). Jamie asked about their ability to sell their current building. Catrina and Cheryl went over the deed and it seems to be the property of the library trustees. Cheryl recommended having it looked at by a lawyer. The Library would like to get public feedback. Tom M invited them to come to Town Meeting to have a discussion at the end with the attendees.

Reports and Communication: The Ella Maynard family requested the Selectboard wave the rental fee for Ella's funeral reception. **MOTION:** Rae made a motion to waive the fee. Tom B seconded the motion. All agreed.

Catrina Brackett submitted a payroll advance request. **MOTION:** Tom M made a motion to grant the request. Rae seconded the motion. All Agreed.

John asked about available dates for the Road crew round table to be held in Moretown in March.

Old Business: Parking lot drainage- A discussion took place concerning the Watershed Management, a division of the Department of Conservation bumping the parking lot project as the number one priority on the road management master plan they working on with funds from CVRPC. There was discussion about what advantage there would be to having this done versus asking Green Mountain engineers to look at other options for phosphorus mitigation. Catrina will contact Watershed Management for a scope of work and associated cost before any decision was made.

New Business: None at this time.

Approval of 2/5/2018 meeting minutes: A motion was made by Tom B to approve the minutes. Rae seconded the motion. All agreed.

Review Documents for Approval: Curb cut located on Moretown Mountain Road near Howes Road. Overload permit for McCullough Crushing Inc. Overload permit for Hinesburg Sand and Gravel Inc. Final Sidewalk plans. Amendment from Lamoureux and Dickinson for additional time on the sidewalk project.

Tom B made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm. John seconded the motion. All agreed