## Moretown Select Board Meeting Monday February 03, 2025 at 6:00 PM 79 School Street In the John Hoogenboom Meeting Room Via ZOOM Meeting ID 620 1, 04 2716 or call in: 929-205-6099

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

Guests presents: MRVTV, Travis Blodgett, Karen Horn, John Schmeltzer, Sasha Elwell

Public Comment: there was none

6:01 **Open Meeting Law Discussion**: Tom played part of the podcast that Don had sent to everyone regarding the new changes to the Open Meeting Law. Meetings can be remote only, it is acceptable. When there is a hybrid process in place, there should be a phone number available for people to have the option to call in. It is not required that it is recorded and meetings do not have to be hybrid, but the SB is choosing to continue utilizing the hybrid options. A lot of those changes were on the State level, not so much for the local level.

Discussion was had on this and there were concerns mentioned that the DRB has not been getting their minutes posted in the correct time frame.

6:20 **Informational Meeting (Pre Town) & Town Meeting Discussion**: Discussion was had on arranging chairs and specifics of being in the cafeteria vs the gym at the school for the Informational Meeting on February 18<sup>th</sup> after the regular SB meeting. Then have Town Meeting in the gym set up differently on March 4<sup>th</sup>.

6:40 **Reports & Communications**: Tom **made the motion** to reappoint Greg Nagurney and Craig Oshkello to the DRB, per their request. Callie seconded. All were in favor.

Quick discussion was had on the Class IV/Legal Trail Committee attending a meeting and it was decided that March 17<sup>th</sup> would be a good date. Sasha will let Paula know.

Tom **made the motion** to pay employees their 5% cost of living raises, retro to the first pay period of 2025. Robin seconded. All were in favor.

Robin spoke with Don about volunteering to help with some of the carpentry projects at the municipal buildings, and Don said that they could take a look in the spring.

Mike spoke with Carol regarding the lot on South Hill that someone wants to donate to the town and it is not a buildable spot. He did email Martin to see if it would be a spot that the town could use as a plow truck turn around and has not heard back from him yet. Don brought up Frank Piazza and wondered if there was any update on that. Tom has spoken with Ron and there is nothing new to report. The SOV is still fining him and there are still people living in the building.

Tom let everyone know that there was a call last week with NSB regarding the FEMA funds/loan. Come July the interest of \$120K will be due. It is anticipated that the 2023 FEMA funds will be to the town by the end of March.

6:55 Old Business: there was none

6:58 New Business: there was none

Robin **made the motion** to change the SB minutes of "1/20/2025" to reflect 01/21/2025 and accept them as changed. Mike seconded. All were in favor.

Warrants signed and approved: 25004 Payroll e - checks 4745 - 4755

Along with NEMRC annual contract and CAI annual contract.

Tom **made the motion** to adjourn at 7:05 pm. Mike seconded. All were in favor.