

**Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023**  
**5:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Eric Pope, Chair of the board, Larry Labor, Bruce Remick (came in late) TammyLee Morin, Clerk to the Board. Selectmen's Draft Agenda/Meeting

**Others Present:** Patric Hurley from Memphremagog Water Shed, ?????? and Beverly May from the Historical Society.

**1. Call the meeting to order.**

A motion was made and seconded to call the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Make any changes/additions to the agenda.**

- a. Update on new entry to Town Office. Eric met with Scott Austin and discussed project specifics. The existing front concrete steps and ramp will be removed and replaced with a more functional entryway. The parking lot pavement will also be removed and repaved. Work to begin sometime in July.

A motion was made and seconded this would be paid for out of ARPA funds.

- b. Add let any guests speak #4.

**3. Review and approve the minutes of May 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 as written.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of May 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 as written.

**4. Let any guests speak.**

1. Beverly May from the Historical Society asking permission to use the E. Taylor Hatton School for the dates of August 5<sup>th</sup> or August 12<sup>th</sup> (both Saturdays) for a White Elephant Sale.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the use of the E. Taylor Hatton School for the White Elephant Sale for August 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> of 2023.

Beverly May will contact the school to inform them of the dates and times.

Beverly also mentioned the She has someone willing to put the "Old Shed" back together that had been previously moved to the Historical Society but they did not have liability insurance.

The Town does not own the Historical Society property so the work would not be covered by Town Insurance. The Board recommended that Beverly seek a 1 day of 1 week insurance policy that can be provided for short-term temporary projects or event. She stated that she would research that and figure out a solution.

2. Patrick Hurley from the Memphremagog Water Shed Association, representing Fish and wildlife for a habitat restoration project to be performed on the former Farrow farm. Phase one of the project will include culvert removal and large-scale regrading with the goal of returning the property to a more natural environment to improve water quality and habitat re-establishment.

Phase 2 of the project will include a culvert change under Valley Road – Shawn Austin will perform the work.

Once grant funding is secure and the project moves forward, Patrick will provide updates and public information memo that the Town will share and post.

The Select board was appreciative of Patrick's presentation and thanked him for coming.

**5. Tabled from the meeting of May 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 # 9. NFI discussion on contract renewal.**

Larry Labor reported that there has not been any word from NFI on the renewal of the lease agreement with some changes for the E. Taylor Hatton School. Larry will continue to reach out.

**6. Tabled from last meeting of May 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 #10 Loan status from Meredith Maskell of the Agency of Natural Resources.**

Eric sent an email on 05-22-2023 to Amy Galford and Padraic Monks seeking an update on the status of our loan application, after previously sending an email to Meredith Maskell on April 17<sup>th</sup>. Padraic replied that they do expect that there will be funding for this project and anticipated formal approval by Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Chairman Eric Pope responded to Padraic thanking him for his quick response and that the board was looking forward to the next update later in the week.

**7. RSFS discussion re: Bruce Remick email dated 05-16-2023.**

Installation of the Radar Speed feedback signs occurred on May 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. A bill in the amount of \$26,600.00 was received from New England Signal Systems, Inc. \$9,000.00 will be spent from the general fund which was budgeted and the remaining \$ 17,600.00 will be paid from the ARPA fund.

**8. Copy of letter of award and check receipt for \$250.00 from the Preservation Vermont Trust & The Preservation Trust of Vermont Technical Assistance Survey for the Morgan Community House.**

(FYI)

**9. (FYI) Tammy contacted Brian Champigny about the Seymour Park hay and Brian will drop check off before haying in the amount of \$900.00 same as previous year.**

(FYI)

**10. Copies of the deed from the Morgan United Church to the Morgan Historical Society.**

(FYI)

**11. Stoddard Water Sample.**

The water sample for the Stoddard property passed with non-detection of PFAS.

**12. Other Business.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve for Town Clerk and Treasurer TammyLee Morin to cut a check and pay Otter Creek for an invoice that was missed when order #22035 was done in the amount of \$1,450.00.

**13. Order #22035 for Payroll and Accounts payable to review approve and sign for payment.**

A motion was made and seconded to approve and sign the orders for Accounts payable and payroll in the amounts of \$ 1,929.33 for payroll and \$ 708,595.61 for Accounts payable.

**14. Adjourn the meeting.**

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

**\*\*\*Next regular meeting will be on Monday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2023 at 5:00 p.m.\*\*\***