

Town of Morris

Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 7, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Morris Community Hall
Morris, CT

Received
Asst. Town Clerk
Sueann J. Gersham
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1:53 P.M.

Board Members Present: Tom Weik, Erica Dorsett

- I. Call to Order by Tom Weik at 7:02 p.m.
- II. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to approve Special Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2020 as amended. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- III. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to hire Elizabeth O'Connor, Library Assistant position as recommended by the Library Board with a start date 7/14/20. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- IV. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to waive permit fees at Morris Highway Department. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- V. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to add 6a. to Agenda – Ben Paletsky to discuss fiber optics. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- VI. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to add 6b. to Agenda – Ben Paletsky, South Farms to discuss upcoming events. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried.**
- VII. First Selectman's Report attached.
- VIII. **Motion** made by Erica Dorsett to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Tom Weik seconded. **Motion carried:** unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurel Gillotti
Executive Assistant

First Selectman's Report

July 7, 2020

Highway Department: Drainage completed on East Shore Rd and Smokey Hollow Rd. East Shore Rd has been patched and Smokey Hollow Rd will be reclaimed and paved this summer. Chip sealing has been completed and the roads have been swept. Roadsides are being mowed along with the ballfields and beach area. The fuel tank for the Senior Center generator is being replaced.

Town Hall: The exterior painting is 80% complete and interior painting has begun in the lower hallway. Plexus glass shields have been installed in the Town Clerk and Tax Collector doorways and at the Assessor and Library desks. A secure drop box has been installed at the lower entrance to the Community Hall for those wishing to drop off materials for the Town Clerk and Tax Collector.

In person meetings have resumed for some boards and commissions, while others have chosen to stay with Zoom meetings for the time being. The Connecticut Presidential Primary voting will take place at the James Morris Gym on August 11th from 6 am to 8 pm. The First Selectman participates in bi-weekly meetings with the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security as well as weekly conferences with the Governor, and monthly meetings with the Northwest Hills Council of Governments.

The Morris Town Beach is open 7 days a week with gate tenders working Friday through Sunday. The Recreation Department sponsored a free concert there in June and will have another concert in the Town Park on July 10th.

The Library is open with a limited number of patrons that can be in the library at any one time and other limitations to ensure the safety of the patrons and employees.

The Town has had 14 residents test positive for COVID-19 to date. We are all reminded to wear masks when needed, distance appropriately and wash our hands.