



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 2018

Members Present: Bob Beeman, Eric Dodge, Brian Kellogg, & Chris Towne

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Todd Thomas, Planning Director; Corey Boisvert, Acting Chief of EMS; Sara Haskins, Town Clerk & Treasurer; Tricia Follert, Community Coordinator; Charlie McArthur, Listing Coordinator & Tina Sweet, Finance Director.

Guests: Gizelle Guyette, John Buttolph, Joie Marshall, Lee Sturtavant, Hope Sturtavant, Kristi McAllister, Richard Tomlinson, Craig Myotte, TJ Poor, Tom Snipp.

Bob Beeman called the Selectboard meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. None

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve minutes of November 19, 2018, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (3/0) Chris Abstained

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

IV. LIQUOR CONTROL

V. BUDGET REVIEW

1. Reviewed Draft Budget for Pleasant View
2. Reviewed Draft Budget for MACC
3. Reviewed Draft Budget for Library
4. Reviewed Draft Budget for Simmer Recreation Program

VI. NEW BUSINESS-

1. **Impact of Errors and Omissions on the Municipal Tax Rate-** Due to a clerical error on the Grand List we are about \$120,000 short for FY 18/19 budget. Sara Haskins, Town Clerk/Treasurer discussed options on how to make up the shortage with the Selectboard. Sara talked with VLCT and their recommendation would be to

amend and approve new grand list, correct the tax rate to reflect changes to grandlist and send revised tax bills. The cost to send our revised tax bills would be about \$10,000, this would include staff time, purchasing tax bill forms and getting NEMRC to write a new program to calculate the corrected tax rate. Sara felt this is the best way to go about fixing the mistake even though it would create a lot of work for her department.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to amend the grand list, set a new tax rate and send revised tax bills with a letter of explanation giving 60days from date the bills are sent to pay the corrected November installment, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried (4/0)

- 2. Appointment Recreation Members to Committee-** Tricia Follert would like the Selectboard to appoint members to a newly formed Recreation Committee. This will be an official Town Committee and would need to follow the Open Meeting Laws. This Board will need to come up with a name and a set of Bylaws.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to appoint 5 members to the Recreation Committee Board as follows Alison Link, Sara Haskins, John Duffy, Shelly Schaffer, Judy Bickford, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (4/0)

VII. OLD BUSINESS-

- 1. Proposed Solar Project on Lawrence Brook Rd.** – Craig Myotte from Morrisville Water & Light along with TJ Poor from VPSA and Village Trustee Tom Snipp came to discuss the solar project on Rt. 100. No application has been submitted. The Selectboard is still concerned with screening of the project and would like to see some plans before it is presented to the public service board.

VIII. WARRANTS

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve warrants through December 3, 2018, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (4/0)

IX. TA REPORT

- Will have a meeting on December 10 for Budget
- Regular meeting on December 17
- We will not have a meeting on December 31 due to the New Years Holiday, meeting will be on January 2.
- Thank you to the Highway Department for all their hard work with plowing, Early winter storms have kept them busy,

X. SELECT BOARD CONCERNS

Chris Towne

- Thank you to the Highway Department for winter storm clean up.

Brian Kellogg

- Also wanted to thank the Highway Department. Flags have been taken down the Christmas lights are up.

Eric Dodge

- None

Bob Beeman

- None

Judy Bickford

- Not present.

XI. ADJOURN

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter executive session to discuss appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee under the provisions of Title 1 section 313(3) (a) (3) of the Vermont Statutes, motion seconded by Chris Towne. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to come out of executive session, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric to authorize Dan Lindley, Town Administrator to offer Derek Small a Highway Tech 1, Step 1 position with a hourly pay of \$17.03 in a temporary fulltime position with health insurance, short term disability & life insurance and ETO in the Morristown Highway Department. Motion seconded by Chris Towne. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to adjourn at 7:35PM, seconded by Brian Kellogg Motion carried. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 3rd day of December.
Erica Allen, Scribe

Please note all minute are in draft form and are subject to approval at the next Selectboard meeting.