



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2018

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

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Tina Sweet, Finance Director, Sara Haskins, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Shawn Goodell, Fire Chief; Roland Boivin, Highway Foreman, Charlie McArthur, Richard Tallman.

Guests: Andrew Martin, News & Citizen

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

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Delete Perfect Temp
2. Add Review Accept Crushing Bid
3. Add waiver for Water & Light

II. APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve minutes of September 10, 2018, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

None

IV. LIQUOR CONTROL

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Crushing Quote-** MCCullough Crushing Inc. quoted \$3.60 per yard for crushing in the Pit. We currently have \$20,000 in the budget for crushing.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve crushing quote from MCCullough Crushing Inc. at \$3.60 per cubic yard as quoted. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

2. **Approve Waiver for Water & Light for Substation 3 Transformer Replacement-**

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve the waiver for Water & Light, motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (5/0)

- 3. Discuss Chipping- Mud City Area-** Planning to do some chipping in the Mud City area. Did not receive a quote as of yet. Will table until next meeting when we have a firm amount.
- 4. Board of Listers-** Charlie will be retiring in March 2019, Richard will not be running again. The Board of Listers is recommending hiring an assessor that would do both Commercial and Residential and possibly have a fulltime administrative clerk in the office. We currently contract out for the commercial property assessments.
- 5. Approve Finance & Maintenance Agreement with State-** This is for the Class I Paving, projected to start next construction season.

Motion made by Chris Towne to approve and authorize Dan Lindley, Town Administrator to sign the contract. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (5/0)

- 6. Classify EMS Employee-**Jason Graves position is due to end when Cory Boisvert comes back. Unfortunately, she will not be able to be on the truck and will be restricted to light duty. We will need to extend Jason's full time temporary position until Corey is able to be back to full duty.

Motion made by Chris Towne to extend Jason Graves position as a full time temporary employee for the EMS Department until Corey Boisvert has been released to work without restriction. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Chris Towne to approve Jason Graves to fill the permanent part-time EMS opening at a rate of \$14.25 per hour for 23 hours a week effective when Corey Boisvert has been released to work without restrictions. Motion Carried. (5/0)

- 7. Selectboard Signed Thank You Letters for Planning Council Members that have resigned.**
- 8. Appoint New Member to Planning Council-** The Planning Council met with Steve Foster and would like the Selectboard to appoint him to the Council to fill the remainder of Max Paine's term.

Motion made by Chris Towne to appoint Steve Foster to the Planning Council to fill the remainder of Max Paine's term. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion Carried. (5/0)

- 9. Accept Phil Tallman's Resignation/Retirement Letter-** Phil Tallman will be retiring as of December 24, 2018. He will be on vacation October 27th through December 22, 2018.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to accept Phil's resignation/retirement and thank him for his years of service. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Discuss Lift-** The Lift at the Highway Garage is no longer able to be certified due to its age. Roland has received several quotes on different styles of lifts. He has settled on one that has 4 posts and can lift up to 56,000lbs. Our trucks are 32,000 lbs with the wing on. The cost of the new lift is \$35,180.71. Total Tool will come out to the shop with the lift and do a demonstration. Roland will let the Selectboard know when they are here.

VII. WARRANTS

Motion made by Chris Towne to approve warrants through September 24, 2018, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

VIII. TA REPORT

- Pike has increased the per ton cost due to an increase in the price of asphalt cement. Contract price is \$68.20 and will be increasing to \$72.34 per ton.
- A reminder of the joint meeting with Trustess on Wednesday at 5PM @ 10 Railroad.
- Award for Heart Safe Community will be presented at Rocktoberfest at 2:50PM on the Main Stage. Would like a couple of the Selectboard members to be present.

IX. SELECT BOARD CONCERNS

Chris Towne

- Noticed another speed sign has been installed on Brooklyn Street.

Brian Kellogg

- None.

Eric Dodge

- None

Bob Beeman

- None

Judy Bickford

- Concerned about the tree cutting and the trees being scarred in the process.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by Eric Dodge to find that premature general public knowledge of pending or probable civil litigation to which the public body is or may be party will clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage by disclosing its negotiation strategy. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter Executive Session to discuss the pending or probable litigation under the provisions of Title 1 sections 313 (a) (1) of the Vermont

Statues to include Dan Lindley. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter Executive Session to discuss appointment or employment or evaluation of a public officer or employee to the body will clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage. Pursuant 1 V.S.A. Section 313 (4) of the Vermont Statutes to include Dan Lindley, Town Administrator, and Roland Boivin, Highway Foreman. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to come out of Executive Session at 8:00PM. Motion seconded by Chris Towne. Motion Carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to authorize Morrystown Development Fund to sell the Vermont Peanut Butter Note and to ask Attorney Doug Wolinski to negotiate the selling of the note with a response due in 10 days, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to extend Alan Stearns' probationary period to January 15, 2019. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

XI. ADJOURN

Motion made by Chris Towne to adjourn at 8:10PM, seconded by Eric Dodge Motion carried. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 25th of September 2018.
Erica Allen, Scribe

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