



## SELECTBOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 17, 2015

Members Present: Bob Beeman, Brian Kellogg, Mickey Smith, Joni Lanphear and Steve Rae,

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Mary Ann Wilson, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Denny Digregorio, Fire Chief; Carol Bradley, Finance Director.

Guests: Ron Stancliff, Graham Govoni, Steven Foster, Jimmy Goldsmith, Kim Kaufman

Meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Bob Beeman

### **I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS**

1. Add Graham Govoni to Community Concerns
2. Add Review Letter from John Hollar to Old Business
3. Sign Highway Equipment Loan Documents to New Business
4. Delete Engineering Study Under New Business

### **II. APPROVE MINUTES**

1. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Joni Lanphear to approve minutes of February 2, 2015 with amendments to add Village W & L Parking lot and correct Excavation to Excavator under recap of past projects. Motion carried (4/0)**
2. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg , seconded by Joni Lanphear to approve amended [amended language for Downtown Transportation Grant] minutes of January 20, 2014. Motion carried (4/0)**

### **III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS**

1. **Graham Govoni-** Graham is the new President of the Morristown Rescue Association Board. Ryan has stepped down to Vice President. Graham plans to attend the Selectboard meetings at least once a month to give an update of the EMS Department activities. Graham stated that he appreciates the Selectboard stepping in and contracting with NEMS to fill some of the holes in the schedule until they can get Rescue running at full capacity with volunteers. The Selectboard told Graham they appreciated his coming forward to fill the position of President and that they appreciate his and all the volunteers hard work and dedication to the Town. The Selectboard discussed the NEMS contract with Graham and Dan Lindley, Town Administrator. Dan felt that once Rescue running at full capacity that they would be able to cancel the contract. Dan asked the Selectboard to authorize him to cancel the contract at the discretion of Graham and himself.

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to authorize Dan Lindley, Town Administrator to cancel the contraction with NEMS giving at least 30days notice at the discretion of Dan Lindley, Town Administrator and Graham Govoni, President of the Rescue Association Board. Motion Carried. (4/0)**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. REVIEW & SIGN TOWN ROAD & BRIDGE STANDARDS-** Each year the Town has to submit whether or not they would like to adopt the State Standards for Town Road and Bridges. The Standards is a set of guidelines put forth by the State of Vermont that the Town would have to comply with in the event of a natural disaster such as a flood. These standards would not allow the Town to use our own fill for road reconstruction among other things.

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to adopt the 2015 Town Road and Bridge Standards. There were no votes in favor. Motion Failed. (5/0)**

**Motion made by Mickey Smith, Seconded by Steve Rae to sign the Town Road & Bridge Standards stating that the Town does *not* accept them. Motion Carried. (5/0)**

**2. APPROVE PART-TIME TEMPORARY HIRE FOR EMS DEPARTMENT-** The EMS Department would like to hire Alex Goddard as a Part-time Temporary employee.

**Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to hire Alex Goddard as an EMT for Part-time Temporary employment at \$12.50 per hour until June 30, 2015.**

**3. APPROVE NEW VOLUNTEERS FOR RESCUE-** Rescue has 4 new volunteers that need to be appointed. Kristy Mayhew, Wendy Morin, Lori Sturges, Yvette Mason.

**Motion made by Steve Rae, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve new volunteers for Rescue Department. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**4. RESCUE LIAISON-** Since Graham has taken over as president the Selectboard felt there was not a need for a EMS Department Liaison.

**5. PVCA INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS-** The Pleasant View Cemetery Association has come up with a limit for their investment fund that they would like the Selectboard Approval on. They have decided to cap the PVCA fund at \$300,000, meaning they will only spend funds available over the \$300,000 mark.

**Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve \$300,000 cap on the PVCA investment fund. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**6. APPROVE 990 FORM PREPERATION FOR COPLEY TRUST-** Dick Sargent Copley Trust Board member has recommended that we hire Marckres and Norder to prepare the 990 the CopleyTrust.

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve hiring Marckres & Norder to prepare the 990 form for the Copley Trust. Motion carried (5/0)**

**7. SIGN LOAN DOCUMENTS-** The Selectboard signed the loan documents for the Highway Truck Purchase.

**8. MORRISTOWN CONSERVATION COMMISSION UPDATES-**

- **Ash Borer Disease-** Ron Stancliff gave an update on the Conservation Commission activities. Ron stated that they have started inventorying Trees that are susceptible to the ash borer. Currently Vermont does not have any ash borers but if we should then there are steps that would need to be taken in order to contain the disease.
- Ron also mentioned using the corner of the Alternate Truck Rt. & Lower Bridge Street for a parking area for those that would like to use Clark Park. Dan has talked with the State and they are okay with it but there may be a maintenance agreement that the Selectboard will have to sign.
- Also would like to reclassify Town Highway 42 as a trail, which accesses the Town Forest. Selectboard is okay with that but we will need to go through the reclassification process.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

1. **DISCUSS LETTER FROM JOHN HOLLAR-** John is the attorney for Thomas Hirschak and they had some concerns regarding the survey that the Selectboard has generated in order to gather voter input. They were concerned about the control of the survey and who would have access to it. The survey will be in the Town Clerk's Office and will be available on Town Meeting day.

2. **DENNY DIGREGORIO-** Denny mentioned that there will be a meeting at the Hyde Park Firehouse with Mike Deroschers to discuss the new schedule of the Fire Marshalls as proposed by the State. Roger Marcoux will be there to discuss dispatch as well. Meeting will be held on March 11, at 7:00PM

**VI. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL**

**Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to enter as Board of Liquor Control at 7:05PM. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**Liquor Licenses for Renewal**

<u>Applicant:</u>	<u>Liquor/Class:</u>	<u>Outside consumption:</u>
BLISS RITE PIZZA (Hoagies)	1 <sup>st</sup>	No
COPLEY COUNTRY CLUB	1 <sup>st</sup>	Yes
CUMBERLAND FARMS	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
KINNEY DRUGS	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
MANOSH VENTURES (Stonegrill)	1 <sup>st</sup>	No
HANNAFORD FOOD & DRUG	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
MAXI GREEN INC (Rite Aid)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
SHERMAN V ALLEN (Mac's Convenience Store)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
SLIM POINT INC (Riverbend Market)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
STOWEND COLD WATER LLC (Movegas Fill Station)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	No
VFW POST 9653	1 <sup>st</sup>	Yes

Stowend Cold Water LLC DBA Movegas Fill Station is requesting approval for a growler filling station that will be located in the back half of 10 Rail Road Street.

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve Liquor License renewals as presented. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to exit as Board of Liquor Control and resume regular selectboard session. Motion carried. (5/0)**

## **VII. TA REPORT**

1. RT100 Designation- The State has agreed to name the bypass Alternate VT RT100 with a truck route tab underneath. The original Rt. 100 through the downtown will remain as RT. 100.
2. Towing bill from Clarks is in the warrants to be paid. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator recommends paying the invoice as they have begun to charge finance fees on the amount. This was for repairing the axel on the new truck that broke for a second time. The Highway crew has been taking their truck repairs elsewhere.
3. Public Hearing for Town Meeting will be Tuesday February 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Elementary School.
4. Does the Selectboard want Dan to put something together pertaining to Rescue for Public Hearing. Selectboard felt they had enough information and it was not necessary.
5. Still working on the maintenance of the ice rink

## **VIII. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS**

**Joni-** none

**Steve Rae-** Signs for Moran Loop still need adjusting

**Brian-** None

**Mickey-** Washington Highway near Randolph Rd. will need some repairing this spring.

**Bob-** Glad Graham has stepped up to be president.

## **IX. APPROVE WARRANTS**

**Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve warrants as presented though February 2, 2015. Motion carried.(5/0)**

## **X. OTHER BUSINESS**

**Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to enter executive session for Personnel to include Dan Lindley, Town Administrator. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**Motion made Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to exit Executive Session. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to hire Marcial Rodriguez-Arenal as the Morristown Rescue Department head at Grade 7 Step 9 currently at \$22.91 for a permanent fulltime position. Motion carried. (5/0)**

**Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Joni Lanphear to adjourn at 8:00PM. Motion carried. (5/0)**

Respectfully submitted and filed this 19th day of February 2015  
Erica Allen, Scribe

**Please note all minutes are in draft form unless otherwise stated and are approved at the next meeting.**