



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF JUNE 22, 2015

Members Present: Bob Beeman, Brian Kellogg, Mickey Smith. Steve Rae & Joni Lanphear arrived at 6:00PM

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Denny Digregorio; Fire Chief; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Nathan Pickard, Chief of EMS Department; Carol Bradley, Finance Director and Min Cote, Street Foreman.

Guests: Corey Boisvert, David Whitcomb, Andrea Beeman, Judith St Aubin, Susan Lo, Tom Hirschak, Tyler Hirschak, Dena Hirschak, Will Augier, Craig Myotte, Chris Audy, John Hollar, Etienne Hancock, Steve Leach, Toby Hirschak, Richard Lowe, Sue Lowe.

Meeting called to order at 5:30 PM

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Add Community Event Funds to New Business

II. OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to enter executive session to discuss contract renewal with the Town Administrator & Chief of Police under the provisions of Title 1 section 313 (a) (3) of the Vermont Statues, Motion carries. (3/0)

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to come out of executive session at 5:45PM. Motion carried. (3/0)

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to renew Contract for Richard Keith as Chief of Police for the period of July 1, 2015- June 30 2020. Motion carried. (3/0)

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to renew contract for Dan Lindley as the Town Administrator for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2020. Motion carried.

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Judith St Aubin would like to see something done with the Brigham Street parking lot. It needs paving and at the very least, line stripping. Cars seem to park everywhere and she feels that it is a safety hazard as a fire truck may not be able to get through. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator said that the Village Crew is planning to stripe the parking lot but has

not had an opportunity with all the rain. The Selectboard said they would look at their paving budget and see if it could be paved this year.

IV. APPROVE MINUTES

1. Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve minutes of June 8, 2015. Motion carried (3/0)

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. STAFFORD AVE. SEWER LOAN- This was a planning loan that we have been paying on, just need to update the paperwork.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to authorize Chair Bob Beeman sign the loan document for Stafford Ave. Sewer Loan. Motion carried. (5/0)

2. SECTION II PERSONNEL POLICY- Changed from 20-24 hours so that it aligns with retirement benefits.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg seconded by Mickey Smith to approve changes to personnel policy.

Discussion: Steve would like to add in words " at least" 24 hours.

Motion carried. (5/0)

3. APPROVE NEW HIRE FOR EMS DEPARTMENT- Nathan, Pickard, Chief of EMS Department would like to hire David Talley & Tammy Lurvey as Permanent Part-time.

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to hire David Talley & Tammy Lurvey as permanent part-time employees for not more than 24 hours a week with no benefits included. Motion carried. (5/0)

VI. JOINT HEARING WITH VILLAGE TRUSTEES

1. This is the 3rd of 3 hearings for the changes to the Town Plan as requested by petition from Thomas Hirchak who is the owner of the parcels in question known as Green Mtn. Arena(GMA). Tom is seeking a change in the zoning to allow him to conduct his auction business and additional commercial development at the site.

Public Comments included needing to provide a tax base for the Town; Skating Rinks are no longer viable; needing to look at what the future might bring if the Town Plan & Zoning changes to include this parcel as commercial.

Bob closed Public Comment. The Selectboard discussed with the Village Trustees their thoughts on changing the parcel from recreational to commercial. Steve is concerned if we change to commercial it may open up the area to other things other than an auction facility. General consensus of both boards is it is no longer viable as a skating rink and there is not an interest from the Hirchak's to make it any kind of recreational facility. It is time to move on.

Next Meeting July 6, 2015 both Board will meet jointly for a vote to approve or disapprove the changes to the Town Plan.

VII. NEW BUSINESS-CONTINUED

5. **DISCUSS CREATE A COMMUNITY EVENT FUND** - Carol Bradley, Finance Director would like to add a Community Events fund for specific events coordinated through the Community Development Coordinator's office. These events are currently Downhill Derby, Summer Music Series, and RocktoberFest. She would like to Transfer \$4443.78 from the general fund to the newly created Community Events Fund.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve transfer of monies already raised in the amount of \$4443.78 from the General Fund into the Community Event Fund using \$2645.13 for Downhill Derby, \$1713.65 for Summer Music Series and \$85.00 for RocktoberFest. Motion carried (5/0)

VIII. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

None

IX. TA REPORT

1. Rain is having a huge impact on general maintenance of roads and creating more issues. We have had some complaints regarding potholes and other problems. We are working on them as mother nature allows.
2. Moren Loop- Would like to send out a letter to the residents of Moren Loop that it is not the intention of the Selectboard to change the classification of the road and therefore it will remain a Class 3 road. Selectboard was ok with that.
3. Met with VTRANS. Looks like there will be a traffic light at Bishop Marshall School, but not until next construction season. In talking with VTRANS Dan learned that it is the States responsibility for paving all Class I highways within the Town. We still have some concrete in the road bed on Main Street and Portland Street; if the Selectboard wishes to fix that before the State paves we may need to go out to bond for it.
4. The Engineer conducted their assessment of our current HVAC system and will have some options for the Selectboard to discuss at the next meeting.

X. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Joni Lanphear- None

Steve Rae-

- Would like to amend the minutes from June 8, 2015- Change the Bryan Pond Rd. site walk to include Leon Whitcomb and Rhoda Bedell and to separate the site walk and the regular meeting.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to amend the minutes of June 8, 2015 to include the changes as requested by Steve Rae. Motion Carries. (5/0)

- Would like to see signage for Road work out on Cole Hill at the 4 corners rather than at the intersection of Cody Hill and Walton Rd.

Brian Kellogg-

- Is the Health Ins. all set for the Retiree's? Carol Bradley, Finance Director stated that she believes they have all been put in contact with other insurance providers.
- Signs on Laporte Rd. still say 30 and 35. Dan will contact VTRANS again.

Mickey Smith- There is a spot on Washington Highway that needs some attention. Dan will have the Village crew take care of it.

Bob Beeman- None.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS-

1. Todd Thomas would like permission to set up a bike shed on Town Property to house the bike exchange at the library. Selectboard was okay with that. This is part of grant Todd received.
2. Todd has a meeting with Adam Weslow to discuss some property on Randolph Road that the owner may want to sell to the Town.
3. Denny asked about Bridge Street and why dig safe has been marking the roads. Dan said the Village may be redoing the water & sewer lines.

XII. APPROVE WARRANTS

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve warrants as presented though June 22, 2015. Motion carried.(4/0)

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to adjourn at 7:30PM. Motion carried. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 23th day of June 2015
Erica Allen, Scribe

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