



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF JULY 6, 2015

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

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; Todd Thomas, Planning Director and Min Cote, Street Foreman.

Guests: David Whitcomb, Ed Debor, Peter Bourne, Wally Reeve, Dana Wilde, Chris Audy, John Hollar, Etienne Hancock, Toby Hirschak, Richard Lowe, Phyllis & Phillip Houle, Kevin Newton, Art Meade, Joan Meade, Judy Nepveu, Lisa McCormick, Tyler Hirschak, Dena Hirschak, Brad Limoge, Judy Day, Waylon Wells, Andrew Martin

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Add Appoint New Volunteer to New Business
2. Add Personnel Issue to Other Business with Possible Executive Session
3. Add Pavement Cut Permit to New Business

II. APPROVE MINUTES

1. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve minutes of June 22, 2015. Motion carried (5/0)**

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Art Meade is concerned about the permit for the Bi-Plane. He would like the Selectboard to send comments to the State on behalf of the town residents. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator has not heard of any permits for Bi-Planes being submitted, only for moving the weather station at the Morristown-Stowe Airport. Richard Lowe commented that there is an email address to send comments and complaints to regarding the Bi-Plane, Dan asked him to forward that along to him.

IV. JOINT HEARING WITH VILLAGE TRUSTESS

1. Approve Town Plan

Ed Debor made a motion, seconded by Wally Reeve to approve the Flood Resiliency Chapter as proposed within the pending update to the Town Plan, with said chapter becoming part of the revised 6 July 2015 Town Plan. Motion Carried. (5/0)

Brian Kellogg made a motion, seconded by Joni Lanphear to approve the Flood Resiliency Chapter as proposed within the pending update to the Town Plan, with said chapter becoming part of the revised 6 July 2015 Town Plan. Motion carried. (5/0)

Ed Debor, made a motion, seconded by Wally Reeve to change the Land Use Chapter of the Town Plan, as petitioned, to include the Green Mountain Arena Parcels as an area where business expansion should happen quickly, with said changes becoming part of the revised 6 July 2015 Town Plan. Motion carried. (5/0)

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Peter Bourne made a motion, seconded by Ed Debor to remove the existing prohibition in the Land Use Chapter of the Town Plan that limits new business zones to “one or two” new areas, with said changes becoming part of the revised 6 July 2015 Town Plan. Motion carried. (5/0)

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Ed Debor made a motion, seconded by Peter Bourne to add the Houle Property, which is adjacent to the radio station on Rte 15, to the Land Use Chapter of the Town Plan as a site where commercial zoning should be expanded to, with said changes becoming part of the revised 6 July 2015 Town Plan. Motion Carried. (5/0)

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V. NEW BUSINESS

1. PAVEMENT CUT PERMIT - KA Harvey would like to install utilities on Farr Ave. for a new home he is building for Benoit LeRiche Revocable Trust.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve application for pavement cut for KA Harvey contingent that he agrees to pay for replacement of materials and labor. Motion carried (5/0)

2. APPROVE NEW VOLUNTEER FOR EMS DEPARTMENT-Nathan Pickard, Chief of EMS Department would like the Selectboard to appoint Skye Ferland as a Volunteer Employee.

Motion made by Mikey Smith to appoint Skye Ferland as a Volunteer Employee for the EMS Department. Motion carried. (5/0)

3. ARTS GRANT- Tricia Follert, Community Coordinator is applying for an Arts Grant and needs the Selectboard approval. This will be for the actual artwork to be placed within designated areas in Town.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve application for Arts Grant. Motion carried. (5/0)

4. DISCUSS HVAC SYSTEM WITH DUBOIS- Dubois unable to make the meeting. Need to table to next meeting.

5. BEER TENT FOR ANNUAL CORN ROAST- Tricia Follert, Community Coordinator would like to have a beer tent for the annual corn roast in August. The tent will be run by Jack Pickett and will be roped off like a beer garden.

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to approve beer tent at Corn Roast in August to be run by Jack Pickett. Motion carried. (5/0)

6. FIRE DEPARTMENT ROOF REPLACEMENT- Denny Digregorio, Fire Department Chief has received 3 quotes on getting the roof replaced on the Fire station. LaMare Construction bid \$24,800, Freelance Construction bid \$30,450 and Baker Builders bid \$31,500. Denny recommends going with the lowest bidder LaMare Construction for the roof replacement. The Selectboard asked about replacing the soffits as well; Denny said it is not part of the bid but he can get a quote for LaMare to do these as well.

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg, to approve bid from LaMare Construction for \$24,800 to be taken out of the fire building addition reserve fund. Motion carried (5/0)

7. APPROVE SIDEWALK BIDS- We received two bids to do approximately 2142 sq yards of sidewalk in various locations. Dale Tatro Construction bid \$76,970 and IMS Real Estate Management Services bid \$94,248. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator recommends going with Dale Tatro Construction as the low bidder.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve bid from Dale Tatro Construction for the installation of sidewalk. Motion carried. (5/0)

8. DISCUSS LIABILITY WAIVER FOR BICYCLE EXCHANGE- Todd Thomas has implemented a bicycle exchange program and would like the Selectboard to approve the lending agreement and waiver. The program would be free for anyone that would like to use a bike. They would need to sign the waiver and have the bike back within 72 hours.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Steve Rae to approve Morristown bicycle lending agreement & waiver. Motion carried. (5/0)

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. DISCUSS PURCHASE OF SIDEWALK MACHINE-

Min Cote, Village Road Foreman would like to purchase a sidewalk machine from Chadwick BaRoss. The total cost of the machine is total cost is \$172,535. The company offers a municipal lease for 5 years at \$36, 307 per year. With interest, the machine total would be \$181, 535. Leasing the machine for 5 years would have no impact on the budget. The funds would come from the Highway Capital Equipment Fund which is voted on each year at Town meeting. If the 1Cent Article was voted down we would be able to return the machine at no cost or penalty to the town.

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Joni Lanphear to approve purchase of the Holder C270 sidewalk tractor using the 5year lease option at \$36, 307 per year with funds to come out of the Highway Capital Equipment Fund and authorize Dan Lindley, Town Administrator to sign the lease. Motion carried. (5/0)

2. SIGN CONTRACTS FOR TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND CHIEF OF POLICE-
Selectboard signed the contracts that were approved.

VII. BOARD OF LIQUOR CONTROL

None

VIII. TA REPORT

1. Todd & Dan have been are looking into additional snow storage. There are a few spots that will work. Lower Bridge Street, Old Creamery Road and off Cady's Falls Road. These are in addition to the Harvey site that we currently use. Due to state regulations we are losing the Elmore St. and the Cherry Street site.
2. Thank you to all staff for the their work on the 4th of July Celebration.
3. Will be out for vacation the rest of the week.

IX. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Joni Lanphear- None

Steve Rae-

- Back roads have been looking good, very smooth. Thanks to the highway\illage road crews.

Brian Kellogg-

- Back roads seem smoother than the paved roads. Thank you to the road crews.
- Great job done on the 4th of July

Mickey Smith- Great 4th celebration

Bob Beeman- Great 4th celebration. Lots of compliments from local and out of state visitors.

X. APPROVE WARRANTS

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to approve warrants as presented though July 6, 2015. Motion carried.(5/0)

XI. OTHER BUSINESS-

1. Denny received comments/questions on why fire trucks go back to station rather than complete parade at the PA School like all others in the parade.

2. The EMS Department will be celebrating their 40th anniversary at the EMS Building on July 11, 2015

3. Personnel Issue-

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg, to find that premature general knowledge of employee relations to the body will clearly place the town at a substantial disadvantage. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Mickey Smith, seconded by Brian Kellogg to enter executive session to discuss employee relations under the provisions of Title 1 Section 313 (a)(1) of the Vermont Statutes. Motion carried. (5/0)

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

Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Mickey Smith to adjourn at 9:00PM. Motion carried. (5/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 7th day of July 2015
Erica Allen, Scribe

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