



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF October 11, 2016

Members Present: Bob Beeman, Eric Dodge, Yvette Mason, Joni Lanphear and Brian Kellogg.

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Nathan Pickard, Chief of EMS; Denny DiGregorio, Fire Chief and Mary Ann Wilson, Town Clerk/Treasurer

Guests: Shawn Goodell, Etienne Hancock, Paul Griswold, Max Paine, Wallace Reeve, and Marjorie Ward and Scott Nelson.

Bob Beeman called the Selectboard meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. Add Wallace Reeve Re: Portland Street Crosswalk.
2. Add Cadys Falls Bridge updates
3. Add Request for Oxbow Use

II. APPROVE MINUTES

1. Minutes of September 26, 2016
2. Minutes of September 29, 2016

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve minutes of September 26, 2016, motion seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (5/0).

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve minutes of September 29, 2016, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (5/0)

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Wally Reeve was asked about making the crosswalks safer in town. He was offered a \$1000 donation if he did some research on installing flashing warning signs. Wally says the Water & Light Department can kick in some money towards this and he has talked to Richard Keith, Chief of Police who said he may be able to get some money from the Governors Highway Safety Program.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to move forward with installing a flashing light for the crosswalk on Portland Street in front of the Tegu Building contingent on the availability of funding, motion was seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (5/0)

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Application for Oxbow Use.** – Jackie Konkol would like to use the Oxbow for a private Birthday Party on Oct. 22, 2016 for 50 people. We did not receive a security deposit or copy of liability insurance. This is a requirement as stated on the application.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve application contingent that we receive \$500 security deposit and a Liability Insurance Certificate, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (5/0)

- 2. Discuss Junk Ordinance with Planning Council-** Currently our Junk Ordinance allows for up to 4 junk cars to be stored on a property. The Planning Council would like to see this changed to 2 per property. This is an ordinance and would need to be warned for another meeting and notice given to the public. Selectboard agreed that the ordinance should be changed.
- 3. Discuss Rental Housing Code with Planning Council-** The Planning Council would like the Selectboard to instruct the staff to take a more proactive look for Vermont Rental Health Housing Code violations. The Council proposes a pilot program that would entail only a drive-by of apartment houses to look for code violations such as mold, building envelopes open to the elements, peeling lead paint, etc.
- 4. Street Closing for Halloween-** We would like to close Maple, Cherry, Olive, Court and Summer Streets for Halloween. They would be closed down from 5 until the trick or treat traffic subsides.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve to close Maple, Cherry, Olive, Court & Summer Streets, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion Carried. (5/0)

- 5. Errors & Omissions-**

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve Errors & Omissions as presented for 2016 Grand list, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (5/0)

- 6. Private Road Name Request-** CCS is requesting to name their private road for their new development that will be located off Trombly Hill; Weslang Rd.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve Private Road Name Request Weslang Rd. for CCS's new development off Trombly Hill. , Motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (5/0)

- 7. Cady's Falls Rd Update-** the State decided not to move forward with the repairs for the bridge at this time. The State would like to open the bridge back up. Calderwood Engineering is going to do a load limit estimate for us and will let us know what the weight limit should be. We are expecting to have the bridge open by Nov. 1, 2016.

V. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Update on Vicious Dog-** The dog did bite another person at a residence in Johnson. The dog is now deceased. We have made several attempts to serve Jessica Jennison. She does not answer her door nor has she picked up her certified mail.
2. **Discuss Animal Control Ordinance-** Board member Yvette asked for this to be on the agenda as she felt that there could be more to our ordinance. Our ordinance mirrors the State Statute. Board discussed Civil penalties for Jessica but felt that it would cost the taxpayers more money than it would be worth.

VI. APPROVE WARRANTS

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve warrants through October 12, 2016, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (5/0)

VII. TA REPORT-

- Cadys Falls waterline should be active by the end of the week. Munson did a great job.
- Thank you to Tricia & Todd for all their work on Rocktoberfest.

VIII. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS-

Joni Lanphear

- None

Yvette Mason

- None

Brian Kellogg

- None

Eric Dodge

- None

Bob Beeman-

- None

IX. OTHER BUSINESS

Motion made by Eric Dodge that we enter executive session to discuss evaluation of a public employee under the provisions of Title 1 section 313 (3) (a) (3) of the Vermont Statutes and to include Dan Lindley & Scott Nelson, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to find that premature general public knowledge of labor relationships with employees to the body will clearly place the town at a substantial disadvantage, seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter executive session to discuss labor relationships with employees under the provisions of Title 1 section 313 (a) (1) of the Vermont

Statutes and to include Dan Lindley, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to we enter executive session to discuss the town's Contractual Agreements with under the provisions of Title 1 Section 313 (a) (1) of the Vermont Statutes, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to come out of Executive Session, motion seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to terminate the Contract with LCPC for their service as the municipal project manager for the A St. to B St. Project, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to hire Scott Nelson as a fulltime permanent employee for the Highway Department at pay grade 1 Step 5. After successfully completing a six month probationary period, in lieu of receiving a step increase, he will be restored to his pre-terminated status.

Respectfully submitted and filed this 12th day of October 2016

Erica Allen, Scribe

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