



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF JULY 17, 2017

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

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Shawn Goodell, Fire Chief; Sara Haskins, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Todd Thomas, Planning Director; Carol Bradley, Finance Director and Tricia Follert, Community Development Director.

Guests: Ron Bohmer, Andrew Martin, Andrea Rand, Jen Ward, Debbie Wells.

Bob Beeman called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

Add MoCo Block Party to New Business

II. APPROVE MINUTES

1. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve minutes of June 26, 2017, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried.(4/0)**

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. None

IV. LIQUOR CONTROL

None

V. BOARD OF HEALTH

1. Todd Thomas, Health Officer has been trying to work with the landlord of 21 4th Street in Pine Crest Mobile Home Park due to the mobile home having no running water or heat. The Landlord has refused to rectify the situation after several conversations with Health Officer, Todd Thomas. Ms. Rand; the landlord stated that she didn't have time or money to fix the trailer. Todd would like the Selectboard to approve the Health Order to move forward with court action.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to determine that a significant threat to public health exists on the property of Andrea Rand at 21 4th Street and that this health hazard must be mitigated by Ms. Rand before 3:00PM on 24 July 2017, motion seconded by Eric Dodge.

Discussion: Ms. Rand is present and stated that she has started the eviction process. The tenants have refused to move. Ms. Rand stated that the tenants had signed a lease to purchase agreement and were aware that the mobile home had no heat or water and said they would fix the issues. They have only paid \$600 since March. Ms. Rand cannot afford to fix the mobile home.

Dan Lindley, Town Administrator recommended filing paperwork for court action, for Todd Thomas, Health Officer to continue to work and communicate with Ms. Rand while in the eviction process, and to start the condemnation process and send letter to tenants.

Motion carried. (4/0)

Updates on:

- 3rd Street in the Pinecrest mobile home park occupants inherited the mobile home as well as trash and a \$2000 light bill. Todd has been working with them and Stowe Transfer Station to get rid of the trash.
- 355 Congress Street has some structural issues. The landlord seems to be working to bring the building into compliance with state health code.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Approve ROW Permit for Peter Bourne-** Will be working in the right of way on East High Street to install conduit.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve work in ROW by Peter Bourne on East High Street, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (4/0)

- 2. Approve Pavement Cut for Manosh-** HA Manosh will be doing so work on Industrial Ave to install Power & Water for a new build.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve pavement cut for Howard Manosh for Industrial Ave. , motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (4/0)

- 3. Approve ROW for Debbie Wells-** Will be working in Town Right of Way to install waterline @591 Randolph Rd.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve ROW permit for Debbie Wells for work in the right of way to install waterline at 591 Randolph Rd. motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion Carried. (4/0)

- 4. Leased Land – Request for Release-**Laurie Wissell is asking for the town to release her property as Glebe land. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator will forward this on to the Town Attorney.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve transfer of leased lands, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (4/0)

- 5. Pocket Park on Portland Street-** Tricia Follert, Community Coordinator would like to create a green space along the Demars building and Portland Street. She plans to fund raise

for the project as well as apply for grants. There will be some in-kind services needed from the highway department.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve Portland Street pocket park project, Motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (4/0)

- 6. Oxbow Park Application Review**-discussed the application process. There seems to be different needs for the park and we should look at possibly charging for larger events. Tricia will work on some ideas for a new application process.
- 7. MoCo Block Party**- Morristown Co-Op would like to close Pleasant Street on August 25, 2017, from 5-8 for a block party. There will be no alcohol at this event.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve Block Party Event for Morristown Co-Op for August 25, 2017, from 5-8PM, motion Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (4/0)

- 8. Vacant Selectboard Seat**- Selectboard discussed the process. They can appoint a person, an Election or the Voters can petition to hold a special meeting. The Selectboard would like to advertise for 2 more weeks. They would like to hold a special meeting on August 10, 2017 at 6:30PM to conduct interviews.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Rt. 15 & 15A Traffic Study**- Todd Thomas, Planning Director does not see the benefits of conducting another traffic study as none of the options presented in the current one are viable options. He would rather see us put money towards the proposed Rt. 12 school access.

VIII. TA REPORT

1. Thank you to everyone for working on the 4th of July.
2. Will be closing the street in front of Green Dragon for Painting
3. Trustees would like to have another Joint Meeting Possibly September 18. Would like to meet early to take a tour of the Green River Dam
4. Working with VLCT on updating the administrative staff pay scale.
5. Rt 15 & 15A construction at the Tenny Bridge location starts next month.

IX. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Yvette Mason

- None

Brian Kellogg

- None

Eric Dodge

- Seems to be a lot of lawn sale signs. Todd said to let him know if they linger longer than they should. He will take care of them. There is a zoning bylaw on ongoing lawn sales.

Bob Beeman

- Crosswalk signs seem to be in the way with larger/ wider vehicles on Portland St.

X. OTHER BUSINESS

Shawn Goodell said the fire department will be conducting a controlled burn at 332 Fitzgerald Rd.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to find that premature general public knowledge of labor relations with employees to the body will clearly place the town at a substantial disadvantage, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter executive session to discuss labor relations with employees under the provisions of the Title 1 section 313(3) (a) (3) of the Vermont Statutes to include Dan Lindley, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to come out of Executive Session, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion Carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve Pay per FY 17/18 budget for Richard Tomlinson at \$14.08 retroactive to July 1, 2017, motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Yvette Mason to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM, motion seconded by Eric Dodge. Motion carried. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 18th day of June 2017

Erica Allen, Scribe

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