

## UNAPPROVED

### SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2019

This meeting was called to order by Lewis White at 6:00 pm at the Dummerston Town Office in Dummerston, Vermont.

**Members present:** Zeke Goodband, Maria Glabach, Lewis White, Jerelyn Wilson, Terry Chapman

**Members absent:**

**Also present:** Jean Newell, Charlotte Annis, Lee Chamberlin & Rich Melanson-BCTV.

#### **Minutes:**

On a motion by Zeke and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to approve the minutes from March 13, 2019.

#### **Warrants:**

On a motion by Jerelyn and second from Maria the Board voted 5-0 to approve the payment of warrants 20, 20P & Conservation Commission #5

#### **Correspondence for Discussion and/or Action:** (moved up on the agenda)

Charlotte, Town Treasurer discussed with the Board the financing options for the fire truck: Community Bank 5 years at 3.42% or E-One 5 years at 4.42%. The purchase price is \$319,000.00. The anticipated delivery date is the end of May, with the first payment due in May 2020. The payment approved by voters was \$65,200.00. The actual estimated payment with interest will be \$75,000.00. We could have a special Town Meeting to adjust the payment amount or at next Town Meeting make the adjustment. Charlotte will look into the financing options with making a \$65,200.00 down payment at the time of purchase. The Fire Department will be selling the old truck with the proceeds coming to the Town.

Charlotte and Terry took the webinar on Bonding for the gravel pit purchase. Both found it helpful. The deadline for applying is May 6<sup>th</sup>. Over the life of the loan we would have the option of lowering or resetting the interest rate up to two times. Annual audits are not a requirement. Annual filing of paperwork is necessary. At this point, we are about \$6,500.00 over budget in gravel pit purchase expenses – legal and engineering fees.

**Public Comments:** None

#### **Road Foreman's Report:**

Lee, Charlotte & Lewis met with Meghan at VTrans regarding the annual Financial Plan for Town Highways. The Town would need to exceed \$25,000.00 in damages to meet the threshold to receive state aid. After that the State would pay 90% and the Town would pay 10%. On a motion by Zeke and second from Jerelyn the Board voted 5-0 to approve signing the Annual Financial Plan for Town Highways.

Lee may apply for a small paving grant for Schoolhouse Road and possibly also paving 1 mile east of the covered bridge. Lee is considering all options. Mud season hasn't been bad in Town, the crew continues to grade roads when they can. There was a request to fill in potholes on Winter Bell Drive. Lewis will contact the resident and let him know this request should be made to Mike Renaud.

**Correspondence for Information:**

Jerelyn responded to Mike Mrowicki's letter regarding broadband. Lee will review the Bridge Standards and submit any comments if needed.

**Correspondence for Discussion and/or Action:**

The Municipal Energy Survey will be passed along to the Energy Committee.

**New Business:**

The Board reviewed the list of reappointments. On a motion by Maria and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to make the following appointments:

Planning Commission:	Annamarie Pluhar 4 years
Development Review Brd:	Chad Farnum 3 years Jennifer Sargent, alternate 1 year
Conservation Commission:	William Johnson 4 years Christopher Olsen 4 years
Recreation Board:	Maeve Jenks Keith Marshall
First Constable:	Martin Forrett 1 year
Animal Control Officers:	Wayne Emery 1 year Zeke Goodband 1 year
Health Officer:	Zeke Goodband 1 year
Weigher of Coal:	Ruth Barton 1 year
Poundkeeper:	Ron Svec 1 year
Inspector of Wood/Lumber:	Lewis White 1 year
Fence Viewers:	Ruth Barton 1 year Nelson Jillson 1 year Harold Newell 1 year
Delinquent Tax Coll.:	Whitney Harrison 1 year
WSWMD Rep:	Michelle Cherrier 1 year
Emergency Mgt.:	Selectboard
Green-up Day Chairs:	Mark Brown 1 year Whitney Harrison 1 year
Cemetery Committee:	Lee Chamberlin 1 year Theresa Chapman 1 year Janice Duke 1 year Lewis White 1 year
Senior Solutions Rep.:	Ruth Barton 1 year
Rescue, Inc. Rep.:	Harold Newell 1 year

VT Comm. Dev. Program:	Jack Lilly 1 year Jack Manix 1 year
CT River Joint Comm.:	Jack Lilly 1 year Dan Marx 1 year
E-911 Contact:	Listers
Farmland Committee:	Vernon Grubinger 1 year Nelson Jillson 1 year Diana Lischer-Goodband 1 year Jack Manix 1 year D. Read Miller, III 1 year Elizabeth Wood 1 year
Police Advisory Liaison:	Terry Chapman 1 year
Social Services Comm.:	Connie Baxter 1 year Sandra Campbell 1 year Cindy Jerome 1 year Libby Lafland 1 year Carla Lineback 1 year Bill Pelz-Walsh 1 year Terri Robinson 1 year

**Gravel Pit Update:**

We will be getting two estimates regarding the Phase Two environmental study. The inter-local agreement is still with the Putney Attorney. The Certificate of Posting needs to be signed by the Town Clerk on April 4<sup>th</sup>. The Board discussed asking the Town of Brattleboro if they would consider flying their drone over the pit to assess the amount of materials as a courtesy with no charge.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**Executive Session:**

On a motion by Lewis and a second from Maria the Board voted 5-0 to enter executive session at 6:45 pm under VSA 313, Title 1, Chapter 5, Sub-Chapter 2, #2 regarding a real estate purchase or lease option.

On a motion by Zeke and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:00 pm.

On a motion by Zeke and second from Terry the Board voted 5-0 to request the Town Attorney contact the attorney for Mike Renaud confirming the provisions of the purchase and sales agreement.

There being no other business to come before the Board, Maria made the motion and second from Terry, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

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Approved

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Lewis White, Chair

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Zeke Goodband, Vice Chair

Submitted by: Maria Glabach, Selectboard Assistant