



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF August 15, 2016

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

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Denny DiGregorio, Fire Chief; Carol Bradley, Finance Director and Todd Thomas, Planning Director.

Guests: Shawn Goodell, Steve & Teela Leach, Max Paine, Chad Hanlon & Nikki Allen, Judi Bickford & Jill Mudgett.

Brian Kellogg called the Selectboard meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

I. AGENDA CHANGES OR ADDITIONS

1. None

II. APPROVE MINUTES

1. Minutes of August 1, 2016

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve minutes of August 1, 2016, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0).

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**- Habitat for Humanity is requesting that the Town give the agency a portion of the 1.8 acres located off Elmore St. that is behind the Leach Property. The Town Village garage currently uses this land for equipment & gravel storage. The right of way would not be wide enough for cars and dump trucks. The Selectboard agreed to take a look at the property before making a decision.

V. LIQUOR CONTROL

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter session as Board of Liquor Control, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0)

New Liquor License application for Chad Hanlon. Chad plans to open a restaurant in the former Rogue Café location. Hours of operation will be 11:00am to 11:30 pm. Weds. -

Saturday with brunch served from 9-3 on Sunday. There will be a small area for outside consumption.

Motion made by Eric Didge to approve new application for L & S Evolutions LLC DBA the Niche, motion seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to come out of Board of Liquor Control, motion seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (4/0)

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. **HISTORICAL SOCIETY UPDATES-** Noyes House Museum is looking into purchasing a software program that would keep track of the museum inventory. They would like to use our server to house the software as it would save them about \$600. Dan Lindley, Town Administrator is not in favor of this as our server houses all the Town financial records as well as confidential employee and EMS information. Todd will help them look into other possibilities. They are also working on updates and repairs to the building itself.
2. **VT 12 & 15 INTERSECTION WITH COPLEY AVENUE-** the Planning Council is looking at redesigning the intersection to make it safer and less congested. Some of the options they looked at are a roundabout, reestablishing the old road behind the School Tennis Courts to reconnect it with Elmore St. or evaluate a one way traffic pattern with Upper Main St., Summer Street, Park St & Copley Ave. Dan Lindley Town Administrator, suggested doing a scoping study and applying for State funds if we are thinking roundabout would be the best solution, If we wanted to reestablish the old road or add in a slip lane, that is something the Town road crew can do. Dan will work with Todd on getting the study updated and what the best options are.
3. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS-** Min would like to use some money from the sidewalk reserve fund to repair a portion of sidewalk on Brooklyn Street. There is currently \$1000.05 dollars in that account.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve up to \$1000.05 from the Sidewalk Reserve Fund be used to purchase concrete to build/repair sidewalk on Brooklyn Street. Motion carried. (4/0)

4. **INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT-** Dan Lindley Town Administrator would like to utilize funds from the infrastructure grant for the Cady's Falls Water line project. There is currently \$19,009 in the account.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve use of Infrastructure Grant Match Funds for the purpose of the Cady's Falls Water line Project, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0)

5. **TEMP- HIRE FOR HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT-** Roland would like to hire Alan Ward as a temporary part-time hire for the Highway Department at \$18.00 per hour.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve temporary part time hire Alan Ward for the highway department with the rate of pay to be determined at a later date, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0)

VII. OLD BUSINESS

1. **CADY'S FALL'S BRIDGE REPAIRS-** There ended up being about 25-30 rust spots on the bridge they found as they sandblasted it. Dan was able to get VTRANS to cover 80% of the cost and we are responsible for 20%. Cost is approximately \$40,000.

VIII. TA REPORT

1. We will be paving 1 mile of the Randolph Road as well as Brigham St. We have about \$125,000 in our paving budget. After the Audit we may be able to come up with more money for paving.
2. Rail Trail will be closed Aug. 29 & 30 in the Cady's Falls area for waterline installation
3. Audit starts next week. Auditors will be looking to talk with members of the Selectboard.

IX. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Joni Lanphear-

- None

Yvette Mason-

- Had complaint that the Wifi in town was not working properly. Todd says that if too many people are on it at once it will go down and needs to be reset.

Brian Kellogg-

- Complaints regarding parking on Lower Bridge St.

Bob Beeman-

- Not Present

Eric Dodge-

- None

X. APPROVE WARRANTS

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve warrants as presented, seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (4/0)

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Todd Thomas would like the board to look at trimming trees on Copley Ave. losing the view of the school.
2. Denny says we need some cold patch on Elmore St. near the fire station.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter executive Session to discuss evaluation of public employee under the provisions of Title 1 Section 313 (3) (a) (3) of the Vermont Statutes, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to find that premature public knowledge of potential pending litigation will clearly place the town at a substantial disadvantage by disclosing it negotiation strategy, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter executive Session to discuss potential pending litigation with Dan Lindley, Town Administrator under the provisions of Title 1 Section 313 (a) (1) of the Vermont Statutes. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to come out of Executive Session, motion seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (4/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve the expenditure of funds from the Morrisville Development Fund(MDF) for legal fees incurred in the process of recovering outstanding loan funds, motion seconded by Yvette Mason. Motion carried. (4/0)

XII. ADJOURN

Motion made by Eric Dodge to adjourn at 8:45PM, seconded by Joni Lanphear. Motion carried. (4/0)

Respectfully submitted and filed this 16th day of August, 2016

Erica Allen, Scribe

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