



SELECTBOARD MEETING OF JUNE 15, 2020

Members Present: Bob Beeman, Eric Dodge, Brian Kellogg, Gary Nolan & Judy Bickford.

Department Heads: Dan Lindley, Town Administrator; Sara Haskins, Town Clerk/Treasurer; Richard Keith, Chief of Police; Paula Beattie, Assistant Finance Director; Dennis Digregorio, Fire Chief, Bill Mapes, Chief of EMS; Kevin Barrows, Road Foreman

Guests: Garth Christensen, Mike Desjardins, Tasha Wallace (by phone), Lea Kilvadyova (by phone), Jane Campbell (by phone), Ron Stancliff, Bob Heanue.

Bob Beeman called the Meeting to order at 6:00PM.

I. AGENDA CHANGES

1. None

II. APPROVE MINUTES

1. Approve minutes of June 1, 2020

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve the minutes of June 1, 2020 with changes [add Gloria Wing to guest list]. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion passed (5/0)

III. COMMUNITY CONCERNS

1. None

IV. LIQUOR CONTROL

1. None

V. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Discuss Joining Communication Union District-** Current Vermont Legislation allows Vermont towns to band together to provide communication services by forming a Communication Union District (CUD's). Current legislation stipulates that the CUD will not cost the town any money, and neither the town nor the individual taxpayers will be financially responsible for the fate of the CUD. Current legislation stipulates that each town's decision to join a Communication Union District must take place at a town meeting. Since the current pandemic special town meetings are not possible, VT house bill H.958 has been introduced to allow Selectboards to decide whether a town can join a CUD. The bill has passed the House and is pending Senate approval and seems likely to pass. Once the bill passes the Selectboard would be able to join and would need to appoint a representative to the board.

2. Valcour Property Land Trust-

Motion made by Eric Dodge to write letter of support for Valcour Land Trust application. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

3. Fireworks Permit for 1296 Washington Highway-

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve fireworks permit for 1296 Washington Highway. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion Carried. (4/0). Eric Abstained.

4. Fireworks Permit for 1700 Cadys Falls Rd.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve fireworks permit for 1700 Cady's Falls Rd. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

5. Ambulance Write-offs for FY 18-19 – 67 calls were not paid for FY 18-19 in the amount of \$27,785.69.

Motion made by Eric Didge to write off \$27,785.69. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (5/0)

6. Approve Dispatch Contract with Lamoille County Sheriff-

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve contract with Lamoille County Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$135,465.00. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (4/0). Eric Abstained

7. Tax Anticipation Note- Sara Haskins, Town Clerk/Treasurer sent out 4 RFP's and received 2 bids back. She recommends going with the Union Bank.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve bid \$2,203, 121. from Union Bank for the FY 20-21. Motion seconded by Gary Nolan. Motion carried. (5/0)

8. RK Miles Land Swap- this was approved at an earlier Selectboard meeting.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve land swap certificate. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (5/0)

9. Local Emergency Management Plan- this is an annual update.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to approve Local Emergency Operations Plan for 2020. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

10. EMS Roster Update-

Motion made by Eric Dodge to remove Frank Holiber from the EMS Roster. Motion seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

11. Appoint Selectboard Member to Sign Warrants-

Motion made by Judy Bickford to appoint Bob Beeman to sign the June 30, 2020 Warrants. Motion seconded by Gary Nolan. Motion carried. (5/0)

12. Discuss Outdoor Seating for Eltoro and Thompson's Bakery. Would be utilizing 2 parking spaces for outdoor dining.

Motion made by Brian Kellogg to approve using 2 parking spaces for outdoor dining for Eltoro and Thompsons' Bakery.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. **Summer Paving** – discussed roads to be paved this season. Discussed cold planing & paving Munson & Harrel Street and reclaiming Northgate Ave. Doing these roads does not leave much money for Stagecoach and Miller Bridge Road, but we will see what we can get done with what is left.

VII. WARRANTS

1. **Motion made by Brian Kellogg, seconded by Gary Nolan to sign warrants for June 15, 2020. Motion carried. (5/0)**

VIII. TA REPORT-

1. Retirement ceremonies at Lamoille Fish & Game for Officer Kevin LaPlante June 17th
2. Retirement celebration for Dean Shedd. Thursday June 18 at 12PM.
3. Bid Opening Thursday June 22, at 2PM for the Culvert Replacement in Mud City (Bryan Pond Rd.)

IX. SELECTBOARD CONCERNS

Judy- Thanks to Richard Keith, Chief of Police for the resolution he put in the paper regarding police brutality. Thank you to Bill Mapes for getting the Food Drive to Lamoille County.

Gary- None

Brian- Thank you for the organization of Arlo Sterner's celebration of life. Cemeteries are not getting mowed. Some have been 2 or more weeks since mowed. Dan will get in touch with the contractor and get a schedule.

Eric- none

Bob- Is it possible to get a flashing light at the rail trail crossing on Brooklyn Street? Dan said these are about \$4600.

X. OTHER BUSINESS-

Sara thanked Denny for the Graduation Parade and all the Birthday Celebrations. Denny thanked the Town and other departments for the support so they could carry out the birthday and graduation parades.

Motion made by Eric Dodge to enter Executive Session to discuss appointment or employment of a public officer[Town Administrator Contract & Police Chief contract] or

employee or under the provisions of Title 1 Section 313(3) (a) (3) of the Vermont Statutes. Motion was seconded by Brian Kellogg. Motion carried. (5/0)

Motion made by Eric Dodge to come out of Executive Session at 7:45PM. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (5/0)

XI. ADJOURN

Motion made by Eric Dodge to adjourn. Motion seconded by Judy Bickford. Motion carried. (5/0) Meeting adjourned at 7:46PM.

Respectfully submitted and filed this 15th day of June, 2020
Erica Allen, Scribe

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