

HINESBURG SELECTBOARD
MINUTES – 01/09/17
DRAFT¹

Members present: Michael Bissonette, Chair; Phil Pouech, Vice-chair; Andrea Morgante; Tom Ayer; Aaron Kimball.

Others present: Trevor Lashua, Town Administrator; Renae Marshall; Fire Chief Al Barber; Police Chief Frank Koss; Highway Foreman Mike Anthony; and the attached listed.

Michael B. called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

#2 – Additions/deletions/changes to the agenda.

There were none.

#3 – Public Comment

Bill Marks asked the Selectboard to change the communications protocol between the Town and Vermont Gas; the Board declined to act on the request.

#4 – Baldwin Road Discussion

A lengthy discussion occurred involving residents of the road, the Board, and staff about the paving, safety, reflectors, need for an intersection change, maintenance, and whether or not to hire an engineer to review and design potential intersection changes.

Michael B. moved and Tom A. seconded a motion to authorize the Town to hire an engineer for an amount not to exceed \$2,600. The motion passed 4-1 (Andrea M. opposed).

Phil moved and Aaron seconded a motion to return the intersection to its original condition, until such time as it is re-designed and approved by the Selectboard. The motion passed 5-0.

Andrea moved and Phil seconded a motion to rescind the Board's motion from October 3, 2016 to pave a section of Baldwin Road until the Town has a recommendation from the engineer on the intersection and the Road Foreman on the suitability for paving. The motion passed 3-2 (Phil, Andrea, Aaron in favor; Michael and Tom opposed).

FY18 Budget Discussion

The Board discussed the four scenarios presented. The consensus was to continue discussion on 01/16 with Scenario #2 as the baseline and Scenario #4 serving as a "master" list of potential reductions.

Conflict of Interest Policy

There was discussion of differences in the policy related to elected and appointed officers.

Tom moved, and Aaron seconded, a motion to adopt the conflict of interest policy as presented. The motion passed 5-0.

Phil moved and Andrea seconded a motion to adopt the minutes of 12/19/16 and warrants with the following amendment to paragraph three of the section on the discussion with school officials in the minutes: "Andrea asked that the officials verify ownership of the land, the Mason's building, and the recreation field." The motion passed 5-0.

¹ This draft is intended to ensure compliance with the applicable sections of the Open Meeting Law. A more complete version is scheduled to follow prior to Selectboard action.

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50 Phil moved, and Aaron seconded, a motion to adjourn at 9:51 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

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52 Respectfully submitted,

53 Trevor M. Lashua

54 Town Administrator

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