



## Select Board

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### Meeting Minutes – July 11, 2019

- Approved 7/18/19 -

**Attending the Meeting:** Phil Pouech, Aaron Kimball, Merrily Lovell, Tom Ayer, Renae Marshall, Joy Dubin Grossman, and attached list.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

There were no changes to the agenda and no public comment.

#### **Consider Authorizing Kohn, Rath, Danon, Lynch & Scharf to Conduct the 2019 Tax Sale**

Tom moved to authorize Kohn, Rath, Danon, Lynch & Scharf to conduct the 2019 tax sale if necessary. Second by Merrily and approved with 4 yes votes.

#### **Consider Authorizing the Town Clerk and Treasurer to be the Signer on People's United Bank Account**

Renae noted this is a formality as the bank notified us this was not previously done.

Tom moved to authorize the Board Chair, Phil Pouech, to sign the paperwork for the People's United Bank authorizing the Town Clerk and Treasurer to be the signer on the People's United Bank account. Second by Merrily and approved with 4 yes votes.

#### **Consider Lyman Park Condo Request for Funds for Culvert Replacement**

Sherry Osborn and Amy Alfieri, representatives of Lyman Park Condo Association, explained the drainage work being done at the condo units and the request for the Town to provide the culverts. They also noted as the culverts are on Town property they need permission to replace the culverts. They provided engineered drawings of the project and have checked with the Town and were told no permits are needed.

Phil said the Board will get input from Mike Anthony, Road Forman, on the project.

Tom suggested they reach out to Kurt Proulx, school district representative, regarding the corner of Lyman Park field which recently had drainage improvements done.

#### **Consider Approving Town Road and Bridge Standards**

This will be reviewed at the next meeting after review by Mike Anthony.

### **Consider Setting the FY20 Tax Rate**

There was discussion regarding the fund balance and possible ways of applying those funds.

Aaron moved to set the municipal tax rate at \$0.5496 for FY20, second by Tom and approved with 4 yes votes.

### **Consider Approving Police Services Contract with the Town of St. George**

Hinesburg has had this agreement with St. George since 2014. Chief Anthony reviewed the contract with the Board noting changes in Hinesburg charges to St. George due to dispatch fee reductions. The contract is for \$50.00 per hour for traffic enforcement. Aaron moved to approve the police contract with St. George as presented. Second by Merrily and approved with 4 yes votes.

### **Consider Approving Annual Allocation Pool Designation**

Eric Bailey, Superintendent of Water Works, was present to review the available water and wastewater with the Board.

Eric noted we gained some wastewater capacity due to the dry year last year.

At the recommendation of the hydrogeologist, Eric reduced the number of pumping hours from 15 to 12 resulting in no available water allocation at this time. That change resulted in a 40,000-gallon reduction. Phil asked if the Town decides we have water to allocate can we allocate it. Eric said he does not know. Phil suggested checking with the hydrogeologist and the Board agreed to do that. This will be on the agenda for the next meeting after Phil speaks with the hydrogeologist.

Eric reviewed the new well and treatment system, approximate timeline and costs with the Board. Phil said this is a good start and would like a list of steps that need to be done to accomplish bringing on a new well on line.

### **Consider Planning Commission Proposal for Official Map and Zoning Changes**

Alex reviewed the revisions to the official map, the PC is also looking to make a change to a section of Zoning Regulations that deals with Village design standards referring to green space.

Renaë will work on scheduling review of the proposal by the Board and target date to hold the public hearing.

### **Town Administrator Report**

- Renaë reports the July 4th celebration went well along with the Police Chief swearing in ceremony that day.
- Repairs to the slate roof on the Town Hall building have been done and the contractor estimated cost to replace when needed.
- Renaë and Joy are both on vacation next week.
- There was a meeting with BlackRock at the well site regarding the well depth and possibility of drilling deeper.
- Jenn McCuin advised the tennis courts are covered with gravel and mulch from run off due to the heavy rains. The school district will be looking at the drainage to see what improvements can be

made.

### **Select Board Forum**

Aaron was happy to report the success of balloon sales and thanked Roger Kohn for his work on organizing this each year.

Tom said 5 new trees have been planted at Bissonette Field and replaced one that died.

Phil reported the community dinner hosted by the Selectboard went well.

Review Minutes of June 18, 2019 and Town Meeting

Aaron moved to approve the minutes of June 18, 2019, second by Merrily and approved with 3 yes votes and Tom abstaining.

Phil moved to approve the minutes of Town Meeting (March 4, 2019), second by Aaron and approved with 3 yes votes and Tom abstaining.

### **Ambulance Committee**

Phil reported the committee has met three times. It was discussed that this is more complex than anticipated with considerations being: level of patient care, structure of service, outside contract or Town service, what will be in place by July 2020 and others. Due to the complexity of the details involved it was recommended to hire a consultant. This will be discussed in executive session.

### **Consider Approving Warrants**

Aaron moved to approve the warrants, including payroll, as submitted by the Town Treasurer including the additional sheet for annual payment to the State of Vermont for VCDP. Second by Merrily and approved with 4 yes votes.

### **Community Event**

Al said there will a compression only class open to all at the Fire House this Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 Noon. Next Wednesday evening there will a BBQ and the department will receive their First Responder of the Year award.

### **Consider a Motion to Enter Executive Session Under the Provisions of 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(a)**

Aaron moved that general public knowledge of the personnel issue would put the Town at a substantial disadvantage. Second by Tom and approved with 4 yes votes.

Aaron moved to go into executive session to discuss the personnel issue under the provisions of 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(a) including Renae and Joy. Merrily second and approved with 4 yes votes.

Phil moved to discuss a potential contract with the Town and premature disclosure would put the Town at a substantial disadvantage. Second by Aaron and approved with 4 yes votes.

Phil moved to go into executive session to discuss a potential contract including Renae and Joy under the provisions of 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(a). Second by Aaron and approved with 4 yes votes.

Aaron moved to come out of Executive Session. Second by Tom and approved with 4 yes votes.

Tom moved for the Select Board to pursue obtaining an outside consultant to assist the Ambulance Committee in their effort to bring forth a recommendation to address the loss of Saint Michael's Ambulance service. Second by Aaron and approved with 4 yes votes.

Tom moved to adjourn. Second by Aaron and approved with 4 yes votes.

Meeting adjourned at 10:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Valerie Spadaccini, Clerk of the Board