

SELECTBOARD MEETING

12/14/15

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Attending the meeting; Mike Bissonette, Phil Pouech, Tom Ayer, Andrea Morgante, Jon Trefry, Trevor Lashua, Jen McCuin, Frank Twarog, Mike Anthony.

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

Public comment

Mike reminded the viewing audience they can submit questions and comments to the Board via email during the meeting.

There were no changes to the agenda.

Consider Authorizing Funds for the Wastewater Capacity Study

The Board reviewed the proposed wastewater treatment facility planning study agreement and scope of services

The study was prompted by the capacity issues raised during discussions of the wastewater allocation moratorium and interim zoning last spring. Aldrich and Elliott were the project engineers on the most recent wastewater treatment facility update, and have much information already in hand. Key questions to be answered by the study:

- How to achieve and/or maintain compliance with more stringent water quality standards, especially the phosphorous discharge limits establish in the total maximum daily load (TMDL) for Lake Champlain. The study will look at the new phosphorous discharge limits of 0.2 mg/L and the lower 0.1 mg/L level.
- What the Town's ultimate wastewater treatment capacity may be. The current permit is for 250,000 gallons per day (gpd). The facility has a design capacity of 308,000 gpd, and full "build-out" in the village growth area requires wastewater capacity in the range of 450,000 to 500,000 gpd.
- What the rough order of magnitude of costs is for each component for planning purposes.

Andrea noted that the LaPlatte can only accept a limited amount of water volume and if we are considering looking at 308,000 and above we also need to consider where the water will be sent.

Jon moved the Board consider a motion to authorize Aldrich and Elliott to perform a wastewater treatment facility planning study for an amount not to exceed \$15,000, paid from the wastewater upgrade and replacement reserve fund; and to authorize the Town Administrator to execute the agreement and other related documents. Second by Tom.

Jon asked if the moratorium can be extended depending on what the study indicates. Trevor said the Town can do that.

Andrea asked if infiltration impact will be a part of this.

Phil said they should at least be able to provide an estimate of the impact of infiltration.

Motion voted and approved with 5 yes votes.

FY17 Budget Presentations and Discussion

Jen McCuin, recreation director, and Frank Twarog recreation committee chair were present to discuss the proposed recreation department budget.

Noted changes to the budget are 4th of July – the budget amount is \$2,500 for trash clean up and they would like to increase that amount by \$350 to hire security. 4th of July fireworks display is funded by fund raisers.

Jen also changed previously requested and approved program of RecTrac software to a different provider to do on line registrations and can also accept payment. The annual cost for that service is \$3,000.

The current situation with the ice rink was discussed and Jen said she did not include.

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Mike Anthony reviewed the Highway budget with the Board. Changes included the first payment for the new dump truck in capital transfer and 10,000 in FY 17 capital to purchase a disc harrow.

In discussion of the capital budget the Board discussed how to show revenue for items sold that is used to offset new purchases.

Insurance is up due to increase in property/liability and workers comp.

Town Administrator's Report

- a. *Water supply and treatment project update* – The contract and change order signing occurred Wednesday afternoon at Town Hall. The project has officially entered the construction and implementation phase, with Naylor and Breen (the Town's Brandon, VT-based contractor for the project) slated to begin on Monday (12/14). Erosion control is the first task, followed by excavation for the building's foundation. The total project window is 210 days, placing completion near the 4th of July. Earlier project timeline estimates (prior to the bid openings) forecast start dates in April with completion dates in September or October.
- b. *Board, committee, commission reappointments* – Staff reached out to the board, committee, and commission chairs to ask about concerns and/or attendance. The information is in the process of collection and compilation, and reappointments can occur at the 12/21 meeting.
- c. *Baldwin Road work* – Mike Anthony and his crew installed 200' of underdrain along a section of Baldwin Road on Wednesday. The pipe was installed in the center of the road, with daylights (outlets, essentially) after each 100 linear foot section of pipe. The drainage should help with wetness issues along a significant portion of one of the problem areas. Mike will be at the meeting for the highway budget presentation and discussion, and can answer questions about the work that was completed.
- d. *CSWD Drop-Off Center lease agreement/extension* – There should be an agreement to present for action on 12/21.
- e. *Frequently Asked Questions* – Time is running out to supply any entries for the, "Frequently Asked Questions," document proposed for the annual report. Please submit those entries to the Administrator's office as soon as possible.
- f. *Questions for legislators* – A pair of legislators are scheduled to attend the 12/21 meeting; please let us know if you have any questions for them to come prepared to discuss.

Selectboard items

Jon asked about the Landman's intersection.

Tom announced receipt of a \$10,000 donation to the Bissonette Recreation Field project.

Andrea said she and Trevor attended the Regional Planning Commission meeting at which there was discussion on shared services.

Phil said he feels the Board should officially vote on a decision regarding last meetings discussion of fluoridation as he feels the outcome was not clear. Jon moved based on the information shared at the 12/7 meeting and discussion about fluoride that the Town continue to add fluoride to the water supply at the recommended level of 0.7 mg per liter and continue daily testing. Second by Tom and approved with 4 yes votes and 1 no vote.

Consent agenda

Phil moved the Board vote to approve the consent agenda consisting of the 12/7 minutes. Second by Jon and approved with 5 yes votes.

Tom moved to adjourn at 10:05 p.m. second by Phil and approved with 5 yes votes.

Respectfully submitted,
Valerie Spadaccini, secretary