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## MINUTES of the REGULAR MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION

(unapproved)
Temporary Town Office (86 Mountain Road)
Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2020
6:30pm

Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:36PM.

Selectboard: Charlie Hancock, Darren Drevik, Leanne Barnard, Mark Brouillette

Clerk: Suzanne Dollois

Visitors: Lynn and Peter Locher, Anita Woodward, Larry Letourneau

- 1. Review and make any changes to the agenda—addition of Driveway Permit and Fleet Permits to 7(d) and (f)
- 2. Review/approve minutes of the January 20th and January 30th meetings
  - → Darren moved to approve the minutes of January 20<sup>th</sup>; seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.
  - → Mark moved to approve the minutes of January 20<sup>th</sup>; seconded by Darren. Unanimous, 4-0.

## 3. Public Works

- a. Roads and Bridges
  - i. Grants (status updates)—carry over
  - ii. Fixed radar speed signs—speed study; request for installation to Vtrans (*update*)—carry over
  - iii. Gibou Road/Bridge
    - →Lynn and Peter presented concerns regarding the ponding of water on the west side of the bridge adjacent to Rt.118; flooding extends the width of the road and is considerably deep. Discussion ensued. No significant action (bringing the road up to grade/crowning) can be taken at this point in the season, but Charlie suggests revisiting a solution in the spring. In the interim road crew will continue to try and promote drainage/manage snow banks

## b. Buildings and Grounds

→ Cornhole moved back to the MCA and did a thorough cleaning of the building. The Board received a lovely letter from Bob and Becca Cummins thanking the town for use of the Hall.

- c. Personnel Update—Road Crew Hiring discussion/decision (board action)
  - → C.J. Farrar rejected job offer.
  - → Mark moved to extend the position offer to Chris Cox at the same rate; seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.
- d. FEMA/USDA EWP (update following January 30<sup>th</sup> briefing)
  - → Charlie attended St. Albans briefing; process has been initiated for FEMA Public Assistance. Reimbursement for what has been done already, and additionally for repairs to be done. Class IV culverts can also be potentially covered. Additional discussion ensued. More details pending.
- 4. Visitors (7pm)
- 5. Water Commission Issues
  - $\rightarrow$ None at this time.
- 6. Old Business
  - a. Grant Updates
    - i. Electric Vehicle Charging Station Grant (VEC) Carry over
    - ii. USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program —Carry over
    - iii. Other
  - b. Montgomery Thrives Committees (*update*)
    - i. Hoyle Tanner 30% deliverable; Meeting Tuesday February 4<sup>th</sup>
  - c. Sale of Ambulance (update—potential board action)
    - →Additional ads posted. No responses yet.
  - d. Vacant Building Complaint (update)
    - →Pending response from homeowner.

## 7. New Business

- a. Shared Health Officer with Enosburgh (discussion) Carry over
- b. Time Meeting, Town Report Timeline/Planning (discussion)
  - $\rightarrow$ Budget and warning was adopted on Thursday. Feb. 14th for printing. Informational meeting to be held at 6pm on March 2<sup>nd</sup> at PSB.
- c. Tax Delinquencies resulting from FY21 transitional budget (continued discussion)
  - →Letter being drafted to explain circumstances of 18-month budget. Possible extensions and payment options are be considered by board given potential impact.

d. Overweight Truck Permits
 Mark moved to approve the three overweight truck permits: for Gosselin Water Wells,
 Inc.; R.G. Gosselin, Inc.; and Bourne's Inc. & Bourne's Propane, dba Bourne's Energy;
 seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.

- e. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses
- f. Driveway Permits
   Darren moved to approve the driveway permit for Allen Demar; seconded by Leanne.
   Unanimous, 4-0.
- 8. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters
- 9. Review Action Items for Board Members
- 10. Adjourn

→Darren moved to adjourn meeting; seconded by Mark seconds. Unanimous, 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:15PM.