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REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Monday, April 20th 2020
6:30pm

Full recording of the meeting can be accessed here:

https://zoom.us/rec/share/5sh8Eij77G1IHpHER2fOfbcKML2_T6a82ikd_aUMxEfJJd3HFzsT2Xsr5oudPC0L

Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:37PM

Select Board: Charlie Hancock, Jacob Racusin, Leanne Barnard, Suzanne Dollois

Clerk: Suzanne Dollois

Visitors: Michael Snider, Darren Drevik, Sue Wilson, Larry Letourneau, Anita Woodward

1. Review and make any changes to the agenda
New Business, added:
 - Rec Center Damage
 - Wild and Scenic River Study Signage
 - Extension request from Listers
 - Creamery Bridge Turn-around

2. Review/approve minutes of the April 6th meeting
→ Jacob moved to approve the minutes of April 6th; seconded by Suzanne. Friendly amendment from Charlie to add Anita Woodward as a visitor; passed as amended 3-0, roll call, Leanne abstains.

3. Public Works
 - a. Roads and Bridges
 - i. Grant updates
→ None at this time.
 - ii. Fixed Radar Speed Signs
→ Michael spoke with Lafayette. Awaiting more specific time-frame for installation per permit approval. Charlie will follow-up with VTrans.
 - iii. Paving Estimates (*opening bids, potential board action*)
→ Board opened and reviewed 3 estimates received. Board will provisionally accept the bid from Pike Industries, pending clarification that this is a not-to-exceed price and we will be billed based on material used.

- b. Buildings and Grounds
 - i. 98 Main Street (*update—discussion under USPS, Old Business*)—no updates
 - ii. Generator repairs
 - Generator at the water plant needs Control Panel replaced, which could cost upwards of \$10,000. Charlie researched past control panel servicing, none in records. Will reach out for other estimates.
 - c. Annual Financial Plan
 - Carry over due to Mark's absence.
 - d. Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) update re: Longley Bridge Road project (*update*)
 - No updates at this time.
 - e. FEMA (*update*)
 - Charlie and Michael spoke with FEMA team this morning and went through damage inventory and prospective costs. Follow-up pending to complete report. Reimbursement for completed work can begin shortly. Repairs on River Walk have begun as of this morning. .
4. Visitors (7pm)
- Larry inquired re: Charlie's prospective letter regarding sugaring/sap trucks and their effect on town roads. Charlie shared a draft of the letter so far. Larry asked to be cc:ed on the final version.
 - Larry inquired re: website updates. Charlie hopes for overall informational updates to be addressed this week. Larger updates pending.
5. Water Commission Issues
- a. Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement (*board action*)
 - Charlie explained agreement. Jacob made a motion to approve the VT Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement; seconded by Leanne. Approved 4-0.
6. Old Business
- a. COVID-19 and Municipal/Local Response (*updates/discussion*)
 - Town Office will begin to reopen in-person services by appointment only in the coming week(s). More information to be made available on the website.
 - b. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (*update*)
 - No updates at this time.

- c. Wastewater and Streetscape Projects
 - i. Review/Discussion of 95% deliverable
 - Charlie reviewed deliverable, specifically to PDF page 64+ on cost estimates, recommendations, etc. Bond vote plan pending for end of June/beginning of July, Charlie will begin to compose language for vote. Discussion ensued re: outreach, next steps.
 - Charlie made a motion to adopt the Amendment to DEC Engineering Planning Advance agreement for additional \$49,996 to support preliminary design tasks; seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.
 - Charlie made a motion to adopt the Amendment to Engineering Agreement with Hoyle and Tanner in the amount of \$49,996 pending the receipt of the response of the DEC re: EPA; seconded by Jacob. Unanimous, 4-0.
 - ii. Funding discussion
 - iii. Timeline—Action Items/Next Steps—discussion ensued
- d. 98 Main Street—update on discussions with USPS (*update and potential board action*)
 - No updates at this time.
- e. Sale of Ambulance (*update*)
 - Sold for \$5,000 on Saturday.
- f. Municipal Tax due date(s) (*discussion*)
 - Currently tax due dates in August and November. Because of delayed tax submissions this year (up until July 15th), tax bills may be sent out w/out homestead info, and would a need to be revised. Discussion ensues. Charlie is optimistic problem can be resolved by running comparison report and direct outreach. Discussion ensued.

7. New Business

- a. Public WiFi Hot Spot(s) for Center
 - Offers from various organizations. Wifi coverage could potentially be granted for the majority of the downtown; application(s) submitted, pending response.
- b. NWSWD Permit Renewal
 - Public comment period is open. Permit being reviewed. Pending.
- c. Rec Center Damage
 - An individual tore up the Rec Center field by doing donuts on April 9th or 10th with their vehicle. Town received various witness accounts. Effort was made to contact suspected individual. The individual was not compliant to coming forward to discuss, so VSP report has been filed with information provided to town. Individual encouraged to come forward. If responsible party works with town VSP report will be withdrawn.
- d. Wild and Scenic River Study/MRBA Signage
 - Wants to put signage in locations where town roads cross a waterway. Leanne moved

to allow the installation of signage indicating the names of rivers on town roads;
seconded by Suzanne. Unanimous, 4-0.

- e. Extension request from Lister
→ Jacob moved to approve the extension request for the 2020 grand list filing; seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.
 - f. Creamery Bridge Turn-around
→ Suzanne inquired about addressing the garbage dumping that has become regular at the Creamery Bridge turn-around on the West Hill side. She and Charlie will follow-up on site and discuss.
 - g. Overweight Truck Permits
→ Carry over until Mark can review.
 - h. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses
→ Leanne moved to approve the outdoor consumption, class 1, and 3 license for the Black Lantern Inn; seconded by Jacob. Unanimous, 4-0.
→ Leanne moved to approve the outdoor consumption, class 1, and 3 license for the Snowshoe Pub; seconded by Jacob. Unanimous, 4-0.
8. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters
9. Review Action Items for Board Members
10. Adjourn
→ Leanne moved to adjourn at 8:40PM; seconded by Jacob. Unanimous, 4-0.