



REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Town Water Treatment Plant
Monday, April 4, 2016, 6:30 p.m.

Selectboard members present: Scott Perry-chair, Charlie Hancock-vice chair, Mark Brouillette, Colin Sorenson, Sarah Silva

Visitors: Wendy Howard, Michael Snider, Lindsey Wight, Sue Wilson

Clerk: Elizabeth Reighley

After a brief tour of the inner workings of the Water Plant the meeting was called to order by Scott Perry at 6:40pm

- 1. Review and make any changes to the agenda.** Additional verbiage was added to Public Works under item F to include the visit from Servepro Remediation Services and plans for the Grange Hall.
- 2. Review/approve minutes of March 21 and 29, 2016.** Mark motioned to accept the meeting minutes of March 21st with one correction agreed upon by the board, this was seconded by Colin. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0. Charlie made a motion to accept the minutes of March 29th as written, he was seconded by Colin, and this passed unanimously.
- 3. Public Works (Roads and Bridges, Buildings and Grounds).**
 - A. Amended Paving Grant and write Structures Grant for Route 58 status. Better Backroads grants for bridge and culvert inventory update.** Michael Snider briefed the board on the status of the paving grant and the costs for reclaiming old asphalt in order to create a stable road condition for re-paving. Details on the Structures Grant for Route 58 will be determined after the completion of a hydraulic study. With the possibility of some culverts being covered by the Structures Grant Michael will be working closely with Mark to help generate an inventory for culvert replacement to work in tandem with the Better Back Roads grant. This will ensure that planned road improvements are coordinated for cost effectiveness and efficiency.
 - b. Route 118 Bridge 19 design update.** Carry over.
 - c. Request for lowering speed limit on Route 118 near Riverwalk Park area to 35mph.** Colin presented the board with a draft letter for the Traffic Committee to lobby for reduced speed along Route 118 by Riverwalk. Discussion was had regarding appeals for lowered limits and what the realistic reduction would look like if speed limit signs before the bridge and after Riverwalk were decreased. Scott noted that Montpelier holds opportunities for Selectboard members to represent Montgomery in person to advocate for lower speeds for the town. Charlie suggested adding to the draft letter images/maps of

the projected areas indicating where speed should be reduced. Colin will follow up at the next meeting with a final draft of the letter along with a map for the board to sign.

d. Longley Bridge Project update. Charlie updated the board on the status of the Longley Bridge and whether the town or affiliated Bridge committees had interest in keeping the lumber from the bridge as it cannot be used in regular construction due to the historical value. Board will continue to monitor project and connect with the Hectorville Bridge members to determine whether there is a desire to keep the lumber as some concern was raised about storage availability.

e. Equipment and Personnel. Review applications for Road Worker. Michael indicated that the new 550 Truck is scheduled to be finished by next week and upon arrival in town it will need to be detailed. He will look into contacting services used in the past for lettering and signage on the truck. The larger truck is still in the assembly and outfitting process and will be ready for the town by July. Applications for a new road crew member were passed out among board members for review. It was determined that the board would hold interviews for all six applicants tentatively scheduling two sessions, the first to take place Tuesday April 12th at 5pm and the other set for April 14th at 5pm at the town office.

f. Buildings / grounds report. Mowing. Town Office Gutters. Servepro. Grange Hall. Michael will be coordinating mowing for the buildings and grounds as well as procuring someone to clear out the gutters at the town office. The PSB flag has been taken down temporarily to accommodate lighting work and rope replacement. Discussion was had about the recent visit from Servepro Remediation Services to the town office and their subsequent recommendations. Heavy duty commercial grade dehumidifiers and Hepa Filter Air Purifiers were discussed as a means of immediate measures to be taken to keep air quality and spore levels in the building from worsening. The next step suggested by the representative would consist of whole building maintenance conducted by the remediation crew with the Town Clerk overseeing basement levels so as to not lose records that cannot be discarded but have sustained damage from yearly flooding. Colin will pursue estimates from Servepro for their services. Mark motioned to authorize the town clerk to purchase air filtration systems in an amount not to exceed \$1500.00 to be taken from Building Maintenance/Improvement Fund, this was seconded by Charlie. Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Wendy Howard presented the board with her request of funds for the ongoing sidewall project at The Grange. The next stage in the project will be the replacement of siding on the area facing Lutz's. She also indicated that the Irish American club wishes to set aside their contributions towards further kitchen repairs, discussion took place about the future needs of the kitchen/common room area downstairs. Mark motioned to authorize the repair of the siding, with intent to research additional door replacement needs, in an amount not to exceed \$16,000 to be taken from the Building Maintenance/Improvement Fund. Colin seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

g. Town Office Building Air Quality Remediation. Carry over.

h. PSB Alarm monitoring agreement renewal. Michael will look into the building alarm systems in order to consolidate all buildings into one comprehensive plan under the same company for monitoring purposes. He will follow up with the board on his findings.

4. 7:00 Visitors: Lindsey Wight, coordinator for MRBA, reviewed the status of her grant progress and meeting with the Recreation Board for design work at Riverwalk and the Grange lot. She has garnered support from the Recreation board to pursue a grant to accomplish design work for the potential cleanup project and will be drafting a final letter to include the support of the selectboard in her grant application as well. Charlie motioned to back the MRBA study on Riverwalk and the Grange lot for design work and authorize Scott to sign the final draft of the letter of support away from the table. This was seconded by Sarah and passed unanimously.

5. Adopt/sign Conflict of Interest Policy. Scott reviewed the basics of the policy for the members to adopt as a set of guidelines for the board to uphold as written in the form of an ordinance drafted by VLCT. Mark motioned to adopt and sign the Conflict of Interest Policy, this was seconded by Charlie. Motion was passed by a vote of 4-0 with 1 abstention.

6. USPS lease and air quality notice. Scott presented the board with a draft letter to notify Tyler Goodrich, Regional Manager for the post office, of the air quality report received from Project WorkSafe. Edits were suggested and taken into account. Charlie motioned to edit the letter and authorize Scott to sign the final away from the table and submit to the Post Office. Colin seconded this motion and it passed unanimously.

7. Possible Municipal Solar Power Initiative. Colin gave a brief presentation on Solar Power and the potential for Montgomery to create a generating facility by way of entering into a contract with the State of Vermont. The program would enable the town to install a solar operation under a structured contract, anywhere from 20-30 years, and collect revenue based on how much power is generated by the facility and by the price per Kilowatt. His suggestion would be to use the lower field near the Water Plant on Fuller Bridge road for a solar install and look into options for a town bond payment or 3rd party interest. He also indicated that feasibility studies could be conducted through USDA or other grant programs that could be useful resources if the town were to look into this. The board agreed that before any studies or further action was pursued that the concept and information should be presented to the residents first. Should the town agree to investigate Solar Power the board would present a feasibility study request to the voters in November.

8. Water Commission Issues:

a. Meter Reader System Update. “Gun” reader purchase. Mark took meter readings with the new system and reported that the new equipment worked satisfactorily.

b. Status of Permit to Operate status. Carry over.

c. Review latest copper and lead testing results. Towns are now required every three years to test for copper and lead presence in water. Per the Water Sampling Plan created by Mark ten resident locations were selected for testing which will then be reported to the state. In compliance with the new testing the ten residents whose properties are sampled will receive notice of the results as well. Mark has drafted a cover letter to accompany the most recent sampling results indicating that each residence has met normal standards for this year. Charlie motioned to approve and sign the sampling result letters, seconded by Mark; the motion passed unanimously.

d. Consumer Confidence Report. Discussion took place, Scott indicated that the confidence report will be made available for residents and will include a cover page to make the information clearer and easier to navigate.

e. Access to 84 Hazen’s Notch Rd. to repair meter. Mark has been in contact with the property owner to repair their meter and will follow up with the results at the next meeting.

9. Old Business:

a. Hectorville Bridge Project update. Carry over.

b. New Town Office status. Carry over.

c. Stanion Fence Court Case Status. Carry over.

d. Appointments:

Town Service Officer. Wendy Howard was nominated by Mark and appointed to a one year term by a vote of 5-0

Director Emergency Management/Disaster Prep: Carry over

Hectorville Bridge Committee: Carry over

Village Cemetery Commissioner: Vivian Deuso was nominated by Mark and

elected to a term expiring in 2017 by a vote of 5-0

11. New Business:

a. Overweight Truck Permits: Curtis Lumber, Harrison Concrete, New England Quality Service Inc., G.W. Tatro Construction. Mark motioned to approve and sign all overweight truck permits. Charlie seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

b. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses: Big Jay Tavern Colin motioned to approve and sign the liquor license for Big Jay Tavern, he was seconded by Sarah, and the motion passed unanimously.

c. Permit for Hazardous Materials collection event. August 6, 2016 (NWSWD). Sarah motioned to approve the collection event, seconded by Colin. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Local Emergency Operations Plan revision. Carry over.

12. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters (e.g. Next meeting agenda). A tentative Board of Abatement meeting has been scheduled for May 16th. All orders were signed at this time.

13. Colin motioned to end the meeting, Sarah seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:20pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Reighley