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Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Temporary Town Office (86 Mountain Road)
Monday, June 3rd 2019 6:30pm

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

Clerk: Suzanne Dollois

Visitors: Sue Wilson, Merle VanGiesen, Michael Snyder, Felicia Leffler, Greg Lamoureux , Justin Dennis

Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:42PM.

1. Review and make any changes to the agenda

→Add to “New Business” : Theft of Town Sign at Community Garden

→ Add to “Old Business” : Demar Road Survey

2. Review/approve minutes of the April 22nd, May 6th, and May 20th meetings

Mark made a motion to approve the minutes of April 22nd. Seconded by Leanne. 3-0, Darren abstained.

Darren made a motion to approve the minutes of May 6th. Seconded by Leanne. 3-0, Mark abstained.

Mark made a motion to approve the minutes of May 20th. Seconded by Darren. 3-0, Leanne abstained.

3. Public Works

a. Roads and Bridges

a. Grants—Status Updates

→Better Back Road grant deadline for FY 2020 has been extended. Equipment purchase not included. Site visit based grant application, date pending. Focus on 3rd round of work for North Hill (100 meter segments, first completed, second summer 2019, third pending receipt of this grant). Mark made a motion to sign the letter of intent to participate in the Municipal Grants and Aid program for Fiscal Year 2020, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous 4-0.

b. Brady Road

→Michael spoke with St. Onges; they may have time soon. Pending confirmation.

b. Buildings and Grounds

→Need for attending to items accumulated in the Grange basement.

4. Visitors

→ Felicia Leffler : Planning to coordinate office hours in town for the summer potentially at the Library; undetermined at this time. Charlie recommends early evenings on a weekday. Additional discussion was had regarding potential town needs.

→ Merle VanGiesen: inquiry about the website and potential re-organization to make searching documents easier. Inquiry about the Lister consultant duration and rate of pay.

5. Water Commission Issues—CCR will be posted to website and postcard with link will go out with July 1st water bills

6. Old Business

a. Grant Updates

i. Electric Vehicle Charging Station Grant (VEC)—no update at this time

b. Update on DPS Records Request

→ Per most recent email that was received, specific to any communications regarding the Snowshoe. Record pertains solely to one instance, which appears contrary to known activity confirmed by Constable during that time period. Board acknowledges that activity has decreased since the letter was released to local satisfaction. Currently no action needed. Rep. Leffler acknowledges Senator Rogers support and assistance as a resource in this circumstance.

c. Welcome to Montgomery Signs

→ Justin presented new design option and discussion was held re: possibilities.

→ Board will post design options ASAP for community input with response deadline targeted for Monday, June 10th.

d. Main Street Status/Repairs

→ Post Office superiors ran their own tests in the building. Their tests did not address the mold or air quality that is the primary concern of the building and postal employee; refuses to agree that health concern exists. Charlie will contact VOSHA to run a repeat set of tests to verify mold presence (at no cost to town). Charlie will also remove sections of drywall in former town office side of the building to expose any mold present.

e. Update on Montgomery Thrives Committees

→ Sewer Committee and Main Street Committee are planning a joint meeting to coordinate intentions and actions.

f. Demar Road Survey

→ Survey received from Harvey Chaffee re: proposed Boundary line adjustment on Demar, Peters, and Bowens properties. Discussion ensued. Harvey is approved to finalize the survey for the adjustment of these boundaries. Charlie will confirm process per Statute.

7. New Business

a. [New] Parking Ordinance Petition

→Merle submitted new petition week of May 27th. Clerk responded to petition with consideration to VLCT guidance re: Title 17 and 24 statutes. Ambiguity remains as to which statute directs petition standards. Discussion ensued regarding statutes and specific concerns re: the Ordinance identified by petitioner(s). Board recognizes prospective amendments to ordinance, and pledged to adopt amendments following effective date for June 5th. Compromise will allow for Ordinance to take effect and allow for enforcement in areas of concern, specifically around safety concerns on Rt. 58 adjacent swimming hole.

b. Grand List Extension

→Request from listers given the amount of turnover in the office, to delay filing of 2019 Grand List. Mark made a motion to approve an extension for the listers, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.

c. Town Road ROW Occupancy Request

→VEC requesting permission to work on 1275 Reagan Road ROW. Charlie made a motion to approve the Town Road Occupancy Request for 1275 Reagan Road, with a provision that the utilities *be placed overhead and not under the road*, seconded by Mark. Unanimous, 4-0.

d. Records Management Policy

→Darren made a motion to adopt the Town of Montgomery Records Management Policy and Appendix, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.

e. Town Sign Thefts

→ Custom hand-carved Welcome to Montgomery sign at Community Gardens was stolen on Saturday night. Valued at \$2,000. Request to reach out on social media inquiring for any information. Charlie will follow up with insurance claim.

f. Overweight Truck Permits

g. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses

8. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters

→ Darren made a motion to authorize Michael Snyder to spend no more than \$200 for the materials for Suzanne Dollois to paint the vandalized panels on Creamery Bridge, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 4-0.

9. Review Action Items for Board Members

10. Adjourn

Darren made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:20, seconded by Mark. Unanimous, 4-0.