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Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Temporary Town Office (86 Mountain Road)
Monday, July 1st 2019
6:30pm

Selectboard: Charlie Hancock, Darren Drevik, Leanne Barnard
Clerk: Suzanne Dollois
Visitors: Sue Wilson, Merle Vangeisen, Ethan Dull, Titus Presler

Charlie called meeting to order at 6:40PM

1. Review and make any changes to the agenda

→ Add to “Old Business” : insurance re: Black Falls/Millay incident

→ Add to “New Business”: appointments

2. Review/approve minutes of the June 17th meeting

→ Darren made a motion to approve the June 17th minutes as written, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.

3. Public Works

a. Roads and Bridges → carry over

a. Grants—Status Updates

b. Brady Road

b. Buildings and Grounds

a. Main Street Status/Repairs

→Charlie coordinating another round of air quality tests with Project Work Safe to address the building occupant complaints, Philip Jones should be back in touch shortly with additional info. Jay Day pending on tile work.

4. Visitors

→ Sue Wilson : Does Conservation Commission need approval for bench installation on Village Green (memorial to Carol McGregor)? Darren moved to approve the installation of memorial bench by Conservation Commission, to be placed on the Village Green; seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.

→ Ethan Dull : Matching funds prospect for Northern Borders Grant application on behalf of Wastewater Committee. Discussion ensued. \$35,000 matching funds request. Amount is not finalized until grant accepted, therefore not a liability at this time, simply a reservation on the amount. Darren moved to sign off on Dept of Environmental Conservation Municipal Wastewater Feasibility Study Application, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.

Mountain Bike Club wants to confirm request for Town permission to use Town land around School to complete the bike loop. Charlie moved to reaffirm Boards decision to allow the Mountain Bike Club to use the land as requested, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.

5. Water Commission Issues--none

6. Old Business

a. Grant Updates

- i. Electric Vehicle Charging Station Grant (VEC) →Paperwork received to move forward with grant acceptance
- ii. USDA Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program →Pending
- iii. Northern Borders Regional Commission Economic Infrastructure Grant → Pending
- iv. *Other*

b. Update on Montgomery Thrives Committees → Nothing else at this time.

c. Welcome to Montgomery Signs—*status* → Board confirmed decision of June 17th meeting.

d. Parking Ordinance—action on suggested amendments—*carried over from June 3rd*
→ Follow up on action presented by Merle.

Re: petition, additional discussion regarding Title 17 vs. Title 24. Charlie moved to reject the petition submitted the week of May 27th with regard to ordinance, seconded by Darren. Unanimous, 3-0.

Proposed amendments:

- 1) Section 4.1.3 addressing time, change to “...during the hours of 2:30AM and 6AM, when a ban on such parking is posted by the Select Board or designated agent...”
- 2) to exempt the River Walk Parking lot from 4.1.3 and exempt from 24 hour limit. 4.1.3.c. will be deleted.

Darren moved to adopt the amendments to the ordinance, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.

e. VSP Correspondence—*carried over from June 17th* →discussion, no formal board action at this time

f. Cemeteries—*update on meeting with West Hill Assoc., information gathering*
→Charlie and Titus gave board an update on discussion, next steps

g. Bob Malay insurance claim. Discussion ensued regarding correspondence with PACIF re: damages and claim. Board consensus to that responsibility lies with insurance company. Will support whatever decision that PACIF makes.

7. New Business

- a. Setting of 2019 Tax Rate—*board action* → Table to July 15th following lister grievance, final Grand List, and receipt of Education Tax rate.
- b. Montgomery Town Office Standards—*draft review and potential action on approval*
→ Darren inquired regarding Drug Policy as to Marijuana. Charlie confirmed that it is subject to same standards as alcohol: not to be under influence during working hours. Guidelines for CDL, etc. applicable to road crew.
Amendment to change “Columbus Day” to “Indigenous People’s Day.”
Darren moved to to approve the draft with change in wording, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.
- c. Transition to Fiscal Year—process discussion re: next steps, special Town Meeting Fall 2019—*discussion, date setting*
→ Carry over for full Board. Tentative date of October 19th for Special Town Meeting to address potential 18 month budget to roll into change of Fiscal Year.
- d. Appointments :
→ Alternate for DRB to fill seat until 2021. Charlie nominates Wendy Howard. Unanimous, 3-0.
→ Appoint seat on Conservation Commission. Charlie nominates Parma Jewett to fill seat until 2023. Unanimous, 3-0.
- e. Overweight Truck Permits
- f. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses

8. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters

Darren moved to approve the Assistant Town Clerk employment contract with Genevieve Lodal. Seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0.

9. Review Action Items for Board Members

10. Adjourn

Darren moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Leanne. Unanimous, 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM.