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Minutes of the
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Monday February 16th 2026
6:30pm
Town Office (86 Mountain Road)
View Recording:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLrBf_FpjKbwcSJm_gBqfFSmPGaVWJXBB7

In attendance: Leanne Barnard, Mark Brouillette, Suzanne Dollois, Charlie Hancock, Daniel Khan.
Visitors: Patrick Calecus, Diane Sherman, John Van Hazinga. Via Zoom: Roberta Baker, Alissa Hardy, Kim Morrill

1. Review and make any changes to the agenda
 - a. Charlie added: (1) Grand List Certificate under New Business, item B; (2) Fleet Permits under New Business, item D
2. Review/approve minutes of the February 2nd meeting
 - a. Leanne made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 2nd meeting as written; seconded by Mark; approved 5-0
3. Public Works
 - a. Municipal Wastewater Project Updates
 - i. Hoyle Tanner Proposal for continued services is pending. Plan is to get the existing plan set out to bid by March 1st. This would have us opening bids in mid-April, with a 60-day bid valid period landing us in June. By June all outstanding issues with the final design should be addressed, which can be addressed in the construction contract via addenda. Working w/ WID to issues draft ID permit asap for public comment.
 - b. Streetscape Project Updates (*discussion*)
 - i. Charlie met with Engineers and municipal attorney last week to discuss Right-of-Way process. Plan is to have ROW work wrapped up by September 31st, with targeted full funding application to NBRC in October. Bike/Ped application to State of Vermont will follow.
 - c. Water System (*discussion*)
 - i. Everything is on track for March 1st transition to SOS

- d. General Updates
 - i. Mark discussed various repair issues with Town Trucks
- 4. Visitors – re: Item 5(a)
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Short Term Rental Ordinance (*discussion/potential action*)
 - i. Note: draft as approved by the Planning Commission is available:
<https://montgomeryvt.us/updates/updated-str-ordinance-proposal>
 - 1. Diane provided a recap of PC discussion and changes since the last draft was presented and reviewed
 - 2. PC conducted survey - currently 27 registered STRs in town re: Conditional Use; searching various platforms PC found approx. 100+ listings for Montgomery (suggesting less than 25% compliance w/ zoning).
 - 3. Discussion ensued, including those issues related to personnel needs related to the position. Need to clarify (w/ attorney) whether enforcement officer and powers need to be better articulated in Ordinance. Discussion also focused on intersection between zoning bylaws (currently under revision) and Ordinance. Need to clarify interim process/requirements related to CU approval between when Ordinance is adopted and new bylaws are approved by voters. Charlie will consult municipal attorney.
 - 4. Board will take the Ordinance back up at 3/2/26 meeting.
- 6. New Business
 - a. FCIDC request re: photos for TrueFranklin.com
 - i. Mark moved to allow use of photos from municipal website for inclusion on TrueFranklin.com; seconded by Daniel; approved 5-0. Note potential copyright issues to flag for FCIDC.
 - b. Grand List Certificate
 - i. Daniel made a motion to approve the certificate that no appeal or suit pending related to the 2026 Grand List; seconded by Leanne; approved 5-0.
 - c. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses (*board action*) - none
 - d. Fleet Permits (*board action*)
 - i. Gosselin Water Wells, Inc.
 - ii. Jack F. Corse, Inc.
 - iii. OnSite Septic Solutions
 - iv. Bourne's Energy
 - 1. Mark made a motion to adopt the slate of permits as presented; seconded by Leanne; approved 5-0.
- 7. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters
- 8. Review Action Items for Board Members
- 9. Adjourn
 - a. Motion to adjourn made by Suzanne; seconded by Mark; approved 5-0
 - b. Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm