

Jamaica Selectboard Meeting Minutes

March 11th, 2019

Selectboard present: Paul Fraser (chair), Andy Coyne (vice-chair), Judy Flower, Tom Tolbert, and Greg Meulemans.

Public present: Joel Bluming, Rebecca Ohm, Chris Robbins, Dan Cummins, Patrick McQuillan, Jessica Pollack, Jason Kass, and Sara Wiswall (town clerk)

Paul called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Organization Meeting

Greg nominated Paul for chair of Selectboard, seconded by Tom. Paul said he would accept for one more year but would like to see someone else in the position next year. Paul Fraser was elected chair of the Selectboard for a term of one year.

Greg nominated Andy for vice-chair, seconded by Tom. Andy was elected vice-chair of the Selectboard for a term of one year.

Town Appointments:

Fence Viewer- Steven Clark

Animal Control Officer- Rob Willis

Surveyors of Wood, Lumber & Weigher of Coal- vacant

Tree Warden- Ben Williams

Health Officer- Andy Coyne until September 2019

Deputy Health Officer- Joel Beckwith

Cemetery Sextons:

East Jamaica, Jamaica Village & South Windham- L. Bruce Chapin

West Jamaica, South Hill & Pikes Falls- Karen Ameden

Rawsonville- Nelson Coleman

Emergency Management Director- Paul Fraser

Rescue Inc. Rep- Stewart Barker

Energy Coordinator- Tom Tolbert

Flood Zone Administrator- Lou Bruso

Windham Regional Commissioners- Joel Bluming and Andy Coyne

Planning Commission & Zoning Board Adjustment- Christopher Robbins, Rebecca Ohm, Brian Zieroff, Jason Kass, Patrick McQuillan

Recreation Committee- Bob Johnson, Caroline Persson, and Greg Meulemans

Village Beautification- Karen Ameden, Joe Dumas & Lexa Clark

Fire Warden- Stewart Barker

Assistant Fire Warden- Joel Beckwith

911 Coordinator- vacant
Senior Solutions- Jeannine Stone
WSWMD- Greg Meulemans
WRC Transportation Committee- Joel Bluming
Newspaper on record: Brattleboro Reformer

Regular Selectboard Meeting

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda.

Judy and Paul both had late additions to the agenda.

2. Approve the minutes of the Feb 25th Selectboard meeting.

Paragraph 5 should say legislator instead of legislative. It should also say that the Selectboard agreed to take no action. Tom made a motion to approve the minutes with changes, second by Judy. Passed.

3. Approve time sheets for: town office, Listers, highway, and transfer station.

Moved to the end of the session.

4. Sign Selectboard orders.

Moved to the end of the session.

5. Discuss update of the Town Energy Plan.

Chris Robbins said they finished the draft for the town energy plan and they have sent it to WRC. For the formal approval they must contact neighboring towns and get approval from the Selectboard. They added a three page executive summary and energy maps.

The energy plan is in place for 8 years like the town plan. The energy plan will be an amendment to the town plan.

Tom made a motion for the planning commission to move forward with the energy plan, seconded by Judy. The motion passed.

6. Discuss possible dates for a joint meeting of the SB and the Town Planning Commission re: Flood Reg. update.

The planning commission has been working with Lou Brusco to update parts of the Flood regulation to make it clearer and to have the information available.

There will be a joint meeting with the Selectboard and planning commission on April 15, 2019.

7. Discuss sound problems during the Town Meeting.

There are microphones at the town hall that we can set up next year. It was also discussed that the Selectboard should sit closer to the front of the stage.

8. Late additions:

Todd Menees- There will be a class on rivers on May 29-30 at the Winhall garage.

A revised quote from Stewart Barker was received because his original quote was not for untreated wood. The total will be \$11,700 for the two sections.

Judy has received three bids to paint the ceiling in the town hall:

Pikes Falls Painter- \$1,330

Norm Holden- \$6,800

BMW painters- \$15,000

Judy will check with the preservation society to see what materials are acceptable. She will also talk to someone that specializes in plaster.

8. Time for Public concerns.

Jason Kass asked about if a tree falls on an electrical line, should you still call the town if you have already called the electric company?

Yes, the road crew can close or block the road as needed.

Dan Cummins spoke about the volume problem at town meeting and suggested a certain type of microphone.

Andy made a motion to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Seconded by Tom, passed.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall