Jamaica Selectboard Meeting

 April 22nd, 2019

Selectboard Present: Paul Fraser (chair), Judy Flower and Tom Tolbert

Public Present: Chrissy Haskins, Chloe Learey, Emily Wagner, Sarah Peck, Joel Bluming, Bryan Zieroff, Patrick McQuillan, Jessica Pollack, Charlie Peck, Janis Chaillou (BCTV), Sara Wiswall (town clerk)

Paul called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

*1. Call for any late additions to the agenda.*

There were not any late additions to the agenda.

*2. Approve the minutes of the April 8th Selectboard meeting.*

Tom made a motion to approve the minutes from April 8th as written. Seconded 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. Received a letter from the Valley Lions Club regarding their 50th anniversary. Green up Day reminder.*

A letter reminding us that Green Up Day is May 4, 2019.

*6. Report from the Child Care Counts Coalition of Windham County.*

Chloe Learey and Emily Wagner visited from Winston Prouty. They are part of the Child Care Counts Coalition. They are trying to raise awareness of the importance of child care especially for economic development for the region to thrive.

*7. Review the water source RFP.*

Chrissy Haskins worked with Bryan Zieroff for the RFP. Their recommendations for additions to the RFP are:

* Wells do not need to be in the study area but must be close enough to town
* Under section b on page 2, after the phase 2 scope there should be another paragraph added saying the Dufresne Group will provide engineering guidance.
* 2.1 is a duplicate of something in phase 1

Phase 1 is the groundwater availability option that would cost around $10,000.

Phase 2 is the actual drilling of up to 3 wells and could cost up to $80,000.

There are two separate cost proposals. The town could do phase 1, phase 2 or both. Drilling would not happen without the consent of the town. All bids will be based upon the same work.

In the consultants section, in the past the Selectboard have been the selection committee. This will be changed.

Another thing to be added is that once the RFP is submitted it is public record.

Tom made a motion to accept the RFP with the revisions noted at this meeting, accepted pending the changes. Seconded by Judy, passed.

*8. Report from the Planning Commission regarding their work on the Flood Zone Regulations, and discussion about moving forward.*

In the early 1970’s the government created the National Flood Insurance Program. Flood zones meant that you are able to purchase flood insurance. Without this you could only purchase flood insurance through private insurance.

Lou and the Planning Commission are making sure new constructions are flood zone ready. They are trying to protect the flood zones and the homeowners who live within the flood zone.

There is a permit required for any new buildings.

They are working on distributing a letter to all residents in the flood zone and would like to send it out asap.

Tom made a motion to allow the Selectboard chairperson to sign off the Flood Zone Regulations, seconded by Judy. Passed.

Does the Selectboard want the ZBA to improve the clarity of the regulations and simplify them?

Tom made a motion to support the Planning Commission to make recommendations to change the flood zone bi-laws. Seconded by Judy, passed.

*9. Discuss a decision on the work needed on the Town Hall Ceiling.*

If nothing is done it could put the preservation status in jeopardy. Judy is going to check if any of the painters would offer a warranty. Tabled until the next meeting on May 13.

*10. Review, and possibly approve, one liquor license.*

Tom made a motion to renew the liquor license for D&K’s and to accept the new license for the Workhorse Café. Seconded by Judy, passed.

*11. Acknowledge receipt of Road Commissioner resignation, and appoint replacement.*

Andy has resigned as the Road Commissioner. Paul made an emergency appointment of Lexa Clark. Judy made a motion to make Lexa Clark the Road Commissioner, seconded by Tom. Passed.

*12. Review two over weight permits.*

Both looked good and will be given to Lexa to sign.

*13. Time for Public concerns.*

The school budget re-vote will be Tuesday, April 30, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Absentee Voting is available anytime the town office is open.

Joel told us about VT Alert from VTrans. They will send you alerts by text, email or phone letting you know about any situations in your area.

There is a talent show this Saturday, April 27th at the town hall. Come out and support The Jamaica Village School!

Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.