

Jamaica Selectboard Minutes
January 13, 2020

Selectboard Present: Paul Fraser (chair), Andy Coyne (vice-chair), Judy Flower and Greg Meulemans

Public Present: Dana West, Joel Bluming, Bob Stomski, Chris Robbins, Lexa Clark (road commissioner), Willoughby Britton, Jared Lindahl and Rich Melanson (bctv)

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

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda.

- a. Joel has information from Windham Regional to present
- b. Chris Robbins- broadband meeting

2. Approve the minutes of the Dec 9th Selectboard meeting.

Greg made a motion to accept the minutes 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. Request from a new property owner for permission to improve a town trail.

New home owners on Under the Mountain Road, would like to improve Town Trail #8. The property is also located in Londonderry and they are asking the same in Londonderry. They would like to upgrade the town trail.

They have a lawyer who is working on an agreement between the land owner and the town of Jamaica.

Judy made a motion to approve the request to make improvements to Town Trail #8. Seconded by Greg, passed.

6. Broadband Project

Windham Regional is initiating a new broadband project to bring broadband to underserved communities. The Selectboard was in agreement that it would be worth learning more about the project and potentially give those without broadband an opportunity to have access to broadband.

7. Community Development Meeting

There are grants available for private, businesses and municipalities. Joel met with

Andrea Ansevin-Allen and told us that she is willing to help with coordinating other grants and she would also come and talk to the community.

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8. Public Concerns

Dana West said that there were some Jamaica residents attending the school budget meeting tonight. If the school budget passes as is, it will increase the school taxes in Jamaica by 19.1%.

We are still in need of a Health Officer and there is training on Wednesday, January 15th. If anyone is interested please contact Paul Fraser.

The workhorse café will be closing because the building they are renting has been sold. They are looking a new location for their business.

Andy made a motion to adjourn at 7:38 p.m., seconded by Greg.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall