

## Selectboard Minutes April 13, 2020

*Meeting held virtually through a Zoom video conference.*

Selectboard present; Greg Meulemans (chair), Andy Coyne (vice-chair), Paul Fraser, Tom Tolbert and Jessica Pollack.

Public Present: Jacki Brown, Bob Stomski, John Sohikian, Chris Robbins

Greg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pursuit to change in open meeting law, this meeting was remote.

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

- A. 1 overweight permit
- B. 2 liquor license requests

*2. Approve the minutes from the March 24<sup>th</sup> Selectboard meeting.*

Jessica made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Seconded by Andy. Four in favor, one abstained.

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

Moved to the end of the session.

*4. Approve Selectboard orders.*

Moved to the end of the session.

Porta potty outside the town office, it costs \$90 a month for the two we have. A lot of traffic coming through.

We are being charged a deposit for the Water bottles, but not any for returns.

Tax charged on gas, is the town exempt?

Will follow up with Terri for more information.

*5. Updates and action regarding COVID-19:*

Focus conversation on what we have control over.

*office and other town operations*

The office is staffed by one person at a time, with Terri and Sara working two days in the office and two days at home. Most of the normal operations are still taking place except for research. Most everything is still being taken care of through phone, email and mail. A lot of things can be taken care of online.

There is no access to the public records currently per the governor's order.

The listers computers will be wiped and updated with windows 10 from windows 7.

*update on local volunteer program*

If you would like to volunteer, please reach out to Chris, Karen, Charlie or Neighborhood Connections. All the information is on the website.

It is better to walk on a quiet street or on your own property if possible, instead of popular trails.

There are concerns with rental units still being in operation. They are winding down and if you have concerns call the non-emergency state police.

The Sheriff's Department has a program called "Are you okay?" for elderly, shut ins, self-quarantined or ill community members. They will come and check on you.

Please remember that anyone coming from out of state needs to self-quarantine for 14 days.

*6. Update on Local Emergency Management Plan*

The Local Emergency Management Plan has been reviewed by Windham Regional and it has been sent up to the state for their review. There are now two weeks for public comment. If the state likes what they see it can be adopted on April 27, 2020. It is available to view on the town website.

*7. Overweight permit for David Chaves for their fleet.*

Tom made a motion to approve the overweight permit. Seconded by Paul, all in favor.

*8. Liquor license renewals for 3 Mountain Inn and D&K's.*

Tom made a motion to pass the 2 liquor licenses for 3 Mtn. Inn, seconded by Andy. All in favor.

Tom made a motion to pass the liquor license for D&K's, seconded by Andy. All in favor.

9. *Letter from Vermont Arts Council thanking us for an appropriation.*

10. *Public concerns.*

Jacki Brown is starting an email newsletter to help get information out to residents of Jamaica or anyone that has interest in what is going on in Jamaica.

The Jamaica Journal will be a monthly email newsletter, with the first issue coming out at the beginning on May. Organizations, businesses and individuals can contribute. Get information to her by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month for the issue coming out on the first.

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Bob Stomski: Concern of people using the state park, people walking around without facemasks. Would like a ranger or someone at the park to notify people to use precaution.

Burn permits are left up to each town. They may put permits out when it is raining. The state has recommended putting a ban on burning but has left it up to the towns.

The state park is still open but use at your own risk. There are less used places to get outside.

Will the sand sweeper be used soon? At this time, it is unsure because of the restrictions on what can be done right now.

Tom made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Paul, All in favor.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall