

MINUTES OF THE JAMAICA SELECTBOARD  
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2017

MEETING OPENED AT 7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: JUDITH FLOWER, PAUL FRASER, ANDREW COYNE, ALEXANDRA CLARK & JOEL BLUMING

PUBLIC PRESENT: RICH MELANSON, BCTV; REBECCA OHM; LOU BRUSO; TOM TOLBERT; JOHN KURLAND; SHARON KURLAND; ELAINE BECKWITH; DAVID MINK; RALPH MEIMA from THE GREEN LANTERN GROUP; C.J. KING & BEN WILLIAMS

1. MINUTES OF THE MARCH 27, 2017 MEETING WERE READ. MOTION TO ACCEPT BY ANDREW COYNE, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JUDITH FLOWER. MINUTES APPROVED. MOTION PASSED.
2. MINUTES OF THE JAMAICA TOWN MEETING WERE READ. MOTION TO ACCEPT BY ANDREW COYNE, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JUDITH FLOWER. MINUTES APPROVED. MOTION PASSED.
3. OVERWEIGHT PERMITS WERE PRESENTED FROM: CAMP PRECAST; A.S. CLARK; FROST WELLS & PUMPS, INC.; CARLETON TRUCKING. MOTION MADE BY JUDITH FLOWER AND 2<sup>ND</sup> BY ANDREW COYNE TO APPROVE WITH THE USUAL CONDITIONS. MOTION PASSED.
4. JUDITH FLOWER EXPLAINED THE UPCOMING PROCEDURES FOR COLLECTING ORGANIC WASTE. PROGRAM IS STATE MANDATED AND WILL BEGIN ON JULY 1, 2017. JUDITH FLOWER EXPLAINED THE COST. ORGANIC WASTE WILL NOT BE INSERTED IN THE GREEN OR YELLOW BAGS, THIS IS A FREE SERVICE. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE COST FOR REMOVING THE ORGANIC WASTE BY TTT (AS THEY WERE THE ONLY ONE THAT SUBMITTED A BID). NO BIDS WERE SUBMITTED BY TAM OR CASELLA WASTE. TTT NEEDS ALL 8 TOWNS TO PARTICIPATE. COST PER YEAR IF ALL 8 TOWNS PARTICIPATE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$5520.00 AND IF NOT ALL TOWNS PARTICIPATING THE COST PER YEAR WILL BE APPROXIMATELY \$8160.00. MOTION WAS MADE BY JUDITH FLOWER AND 2<sup>ND</sup> BY JOEL BLUMING THAT JAMAICA IS INTERESTED PARTICIPATING, BUT WILL NOT COMMIT AT THIS TIME. MOTION PASSED.
5. MOTION MADE BY JOEL BLUMING TO HAVE SOMEONE FROM WSWM TO ATTEND ONE OF OUR MEETINGS TO EXPLAIN THE RECYCLING PROCESS. 2<sup>ND</sup> BY ANDREW COYNE. MOTION PASSED.
6. JOEL BLUMING HAS REQUESTED THAT SOMEONE FROM VLCT COME TO ONE OF OUR MEETINGS AND EXPLAIN THE "OPEN MEETING LAW". JOEL BLUMING TO CONTACT VLCT.
7. DISCUSSION BY JOEL BLUMING, ELAINE BECKWITH AND BEN WILLIAMS ENSUED AS TO HELPING THE NEEDY IN TOWN. TAXPAYERS NEED TO DECIDE WHETHER THEY WANT THEIR TAXES TO GO TO A LOAN PROGRAM OR FOR RUNNING EXPENSES FOR THE TOWN. SHOULD THERE BE A SEPARATE FUND AND SHOULD THIS BE A LOAN PROGRAM TO HELP THE NEEDY PAY FOR THEIR PROPERTY TAXES AND ANY OTHER COSTS THAT ARE NEEDED. FURTHER DISCUSSION WILL TAKE PLACE.
8. RALPH MEIMA FROM THE GREEN LANTERN GROUP SPOKE ON SOLAR AND THE CREDITS THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO THE TOWN AT NO CHARGE. MR. MEIMA WILL FORWARD A CONTRACT TO THE SELECTBOARD TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND THEN MAKE A DECISION.
9. JAMAICA ARTS COUNSEL REQUESTED TO HAVE WI-FI INSTALLED IN THE TOWN HALL AT THE EXPENSE OF THE TOWN, AT A COST OF \$39.00 PER MONTH, WITH NO INSTALLATION

FEE. MOTION MADE BY ALEXANRA CLARK AND 2<sup>ND</sup> BY ANDREW COYNE TO HAVE SOUTHERN VERMONT CABLE INSTALL WI-FI. MOTION PASSED.

10. MOTION MADE BY ALEXANDRA CLARK TO ADJOURN, 2<sup>ND</sup> BY ANDREW COYNE. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:40 P.M.

11. SUBMITTED BY ALEXANDRA CLARK