

Selectboard Minutes

October 28, 2019

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

Public Present: Joel Bluming, Rebecca Ohm, Bob Stomski (Fire Chief), Bryan Zieroff, John Rapuano, Terry Boone, Peter Andrus, Lisa C. Mann, Jessica Pollack, Patrick McQuillan, Rich Melanson (BCTV) and Sara Wiswall (Town Clerk)

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

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda.

- Town Meeting-Water Study Minutes
- Letter from SEVCA
- Bridge update

2. Approve the minutes of the Oct. 14th Selectboard meeting.

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 14, 2019 Selectboard minutes as presented. Seconded by Judy, passed.

Town Meeting-Water Study minutes: Add the following: Paul opened the meeting with a brief overview. The Warning should be at the start of the minutes and after the final vote it should read, motion failed.

Andy moved to accept the Town Meeting minutes from October 15, 2019 with these amendments. 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. Reminder of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan open meeting at 5:30 on Nov. 4th.

The LHMP meeting is next Monday, November 4th.

6. Discuss, and possibly award, the bid for the Mill building roof.

The roof project was put out to bid again. There was one bid from Primo Roofing from Rutland. The time and materials were worked into the contract. The insurance payout was \$26,500. There was \$1,000 previously spent to patch the hole in the roof. The bid from Primo Roofing was for \$26,195.23.

Tom made a motion to authorize Greg to move forward with the bid from Primo Roofing for \$26,195.23. Seconded by Judy, passed.

7. *Respond to the Fire Chief's concerns about traffic following GPS's into the woods.*

Craven, Howard, Turkey Mountain, Derrybrook and King Road all have no outlet signs. The road crew will look at places of concern before winter.

7A. Southeast Vermont Community Action (SEVCA)- Thank you for the appropriation from the town of Jamaica.

7B. Greg & Joel went to Barre for a meeting with Wayne Simmons and Kristin Higgins. They now have a better understanding of the process.

8. *Time for public concerns.*

Bryan Zieroff, a resident of Jamaica and member of the Planning Commission, does not feel that the Planning Commission was involved with the water study. He said it seemed like a rush to the finish line and feels that there were misstatements during the Town Meeting presentation. He said there was no direct statement made of the regulations for water in Jamaica. His challenge to the Selectboard was to work with us (meaning the Planning Commission).

Chris Robbins research was never presented to the Selectboard or at the Town Meeting.

There was a discussion on the information that was presented and not presented at the Town Meeting-Water Study.

Some felt that the water is okay now for the existing businesses but would they be able to change or grow?

The question, who will pay for the water should have been clearer.

Why don't families/businesses in the village combine wells and/or septic's? Some are already shared.

Peter Andrus asked to put rip rap on Water Street. He would like the Selectboard to look into this again.

Lou Brusio said the router at the town office has failed and will need to be replaced.

At 8:15 p.m. Tom "I move to find that premature general knowledge of this personnel issue would clearly place said personnel at a substantial disadvantage, because the Selectboard would give information if it discusses this in public." Seconded by Judy. Tom "I move that we enter into executive session to discuss said personnel issue under the provisions of Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(A) of the Vermont Statutes." Seconded by Judy, passed.

End executive session at 8:45 p.m.

Motion to adjourn at 8:46 p.m.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall