

Jamaica Selectboard Minutes December 9, 2019

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

Public Present: Joel Bluming, Lou Brusco (lister) and Austin Rice (BCTV)

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

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda.

A. Discuss holding the next Selectboard meeting

B. Broadband letter

C. Muzzyfund request- executive session

2. Approve the minutes of the Nov. 25th Selectboard meeting.

Tom made a motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Greg. 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. Review and approve the tabled Nov. 11th minutes with changes.

Under number 7, "A motion was made to accept the volunteer agreement with a change of township to town." Greg made a motion to accept the minutes as revised, seconded by Judy. Passed.

6. Errors and Omissions from Listers.

The acreage was wrong on parcel 00I-14 for the current use. The only time the value of a property changes (because of changing current use) is when the included or excluded land changes. The included land is the land in current use; the excluded land is the house site of a property that is in current use. The property value should not have changed because the land in question is still part of the included current use.

Greg made a motion to rescind the previous motion (from November 25th) for parcel 00I-14 because there is no change in the property value. Seconded by Tom, passed.

Parcel 000O-2 wanted to take 2 acres out of current use to build a second building. The 2 acres will be changed from included to excluded.

Greg made a motion to change the value of parcel 000O-2 from \$311,900 to \$313,400 per the listers. Seconded by Andy, passed.

7. Discuss a suggested change in how we distribute the Town Report.

Historically, the town report has been sent to all registered voters but we have had up to two boxes returned. It was suggested that we could mail out a postcard to let people know when the report is available for pick up at the town office, post office, etc. The Selectboard felt that some people do not come into town and would be impacted if we stopped mailing them. The town will continue to mail the town report.

8. Time for public concerns.

The sidewalk on bridge 32 has not had the snow properly removed. The sidewalk is on a state bridge but it is our residents who use it.

9. Remind all about not pushing snow on to the roads and sidewalks.

It is illegal to plow your snow onto the roads and/or sidewalks.

10. The next Selectboard meeting would be on December 23, 2019.

Tom made a motion to cancel the next meeting for 12/23. Seconded by Judy, passed. The next Selectboard meeting will be on January 13, 2019.

11. A letter was received from Windham Regional Commission about the upcoming meeting on broadband on January 16, 2020. Tom and Greg plan to attend.

At 7:35 p.m. Tom "I move to find that premature general knowledge of Muzzy Fund request would clearly place said applicant at a substantial disadvantage, because the Selectboard could give away information if it discusses this in public." Seconded by Judy. Tom "I move that we enter into executive session to discuss the Muzzy Fund request under the provisions of Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(A) of the Vermont Statutes." Seconded by Judy, passed.

8:02 p.m. End executive session no was decision made. Paul will follow up on need for additional information.

8:04 p.m. Moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel issue on a motion by Tom and seconded by Judy.

8:37 p.m. Out of Executive Session.

8:38 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Tom, seconded by Greg.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall