

Selectboard Minutes  
September 28, 2020

Meeting held virtually through a video conference \*

Selectboard Present: Greg Meulemans (chair), Tom Tolbert, Paul Fraser and Jessica Pollack

Public Present: Joel Bluming, Robert Simmons, Bob Stomski

1. *Call for any late additions to the agenda*
  - A. Hamilton Falls
  - B. Kids playing in the road
  - C. LHMP
  - D. Chris Clark's daughter is seeking volunteer work
  - E. Halloween

2. *Approve the minutes from the August 6 and September 14, Selectboard meetings*  
August 6 minutes, Jessica was not there.

Tom made a motion to approve the minutes from September 14 2020, seconded by Paul.

On page 3, number 8. The sign apps, who is they? Eugene Alletto or R& R

On number 14, should include "on internet speed"

Tobacco license was for D& K's.

Joel would like to make a sign, what was the statement? The statement was regarding hate speech.

The executive session should say "a member of the public" not the public.

Tom withdrew his motion and made a motion to accept the minutes with these changes, seconded by Paul. Passed.

3. *Updates and discussion on Rawson Bridge/ Town Trail*

Greg and Jessica talked about what they need to do to proceed. Jessica was looking into it. The board is still unsure if the bridge belongs to the town.

4. *Update and discussion on R&R signs*

John was unable to attend the meeting, but he forwarded an update to Greg. There has been no action on taking down the signs that are not in compliance.

Tom made a motion to instruct the sign administrator to enforce the sign ordinance as written and to fine each of the applicants that have not complied and to back date it to when the violations were identified by the sign administrator. Seconded by Paul. All in favor.

5. *Review proposed False Alarm Ordinance from the Fire Department*

Discussion on procedure for adopting an ordinance.

Greg suggested running it by the town attorney to make sure everything is correct. They would also like to ask the attorney for the next steps in the process of adopting the ordinance. Bob would like the ordinance to begin at the first of the year 2021.

*6. Lister's Errors & Omissions request*

Tom thinks Lou should present this to the board and would like to table it until he is available to answer questions.

*7. Update on Communication Union District and survey*

Chris is not present, no update.

*8. Updates on town road paving projects*

Most of the paving projects are complete. The next step is to have the crosswalks painted. The state will repaint the lines, but they have not given us a date yet.

*9. Discuss installation and locations for electronic speeding signs*

The speed signs have arrived, the permit has been submitted to Vtrans for the ones on Route 30. Greg would like to form a committee to decide where to put the signs, including Keith the Road Foreman and Lexa the Road Commissioner. Paul and Tom will be a part of the committee unless someone else wants to be on the committee.

There have been complaints of kids playing in the road, putting up cones and not paying attention to traffic. Parents need to take responsibility for children, it is extremely dangerous. Paul would like to bring the families together to have a conversation, saying here is what we have done to slow people down now what can you do to keep your children safe?

*10. Discuss banner location and signage*

It has been difficult to find a place to put the banner. It could be hung across the road but it can not be attached to utility poles. It is still undetermined where it can be placed.

*11. Discuss hiring of Transfer Station Alternate*

One person found a full-time job, they spoke with one person and the third person never got back to them. The conversation will be moved to executive session. Bill is available to work again.

*12. Hamilton Falls update*

There was a meeting with the Department of Forest, Parks and Recreation at Hamilton Falls. Members of the community and Selectboard members attended. The parking has been reduced to four spots and if they are full, people should enter through the state park. The sheriff's department is patrolling the area on the weekends. Charlie Peck asked if the town wants to rewrite the parking ordinance. He has offered to do it. Greg will talk to Charlie about this.

*13. LHMP*

Formal approval of Local Hazard Mitigation Plan.

*14. Halloween*

The fire department has decided not to be involved because of covid. Parents are saying they will take their kids out for Halloween. If you do not want people trick or treating, turn out lights so people know not to come to your house.

*15. August 6<sup>th</sup> minutes*

Jessica will circulate these before the next meeting.

*16. Review time sheets for town office, listers, highway and transfer station*

*17. Review pay orders*

*18. Other public concerns*

There is a document that needs to signed by there members of the board.

*19. Executive Session if needed*

Tom made a motion to discuss an issue that if discussed in public could put a member of the public at a disadvantage and made a motion to into executive session. Seconded by Paul. All in favor.

Tom moved to go into executive session, seconded by Paul. All if favor.

Enter executive session at 8:18 p.m.

Exit Executive Session at 8:27 p.m.

Jessica made a motion that the Selectboard offer to Darren Elliott the opportunity to train and given the chance as an alternate for the Transfer Station. Seconded by Tom. All if favor.

Tom made a motion to adjourn.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall