Selectboard Minutes March 27, 2023

Selectboard Present: Jessica Pollack (Chair), Andy Coyne (vice-chair), Kate Ullman, Derek Ahl and Greg Meulemans

Public Present: Karen Ameden, Susan Ahl and Paul Fraser

Jessica called the meeting to order 7:00 p.m.

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda Selectboard will certify compliance for roads and bridges

Terri Bills Garland passed away suddenly yesterday. She will be greatly missed for all she has done for the town. Her dedication, her smarts, her strength and care were evident in everything she did.

2. Approve the minutes from the March 13th Selectboard meeting

Andy made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 13th Selectboard meeting, seconded by Kate. Newspaper of record should not be in the minutes as it was missed at the last meeting. All in favor.

3. Review and act on an Overweight Permit

Greg made a motion to approve the overweight permit for Beacon Sales Acquisition, seconded by Kate, All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for Fabian Earth Moving Inc., seconded by Greg. All in favor.

4. Approval of Liquor Licenses and Tobacco License

Jessica made a motion to approve the Blue Dot Beverages, second by Kate. 4 in favor, 1 abstained.

Jessica made a motion to approve the Tobacco license for West River Provisions LLC, seconded by Andy. All in favor.

Jessica made a motion to approve the liquor license for West River Provisions LLC, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

Jessica made a motion to approve the liquor license for Rawsonville Market, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

Jessica made a motion to approve the Tobacco license for Rawsonville Markey, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

5. Windham Regional Commission Survey for updating State Hazard Mitigation Plan The state has requested participation in the Hazard Mitigation Plan. There is a link on our website to watch a short presentation.

What are you concerned about as a citizen?

It is a way to give information to the state. This is due by April 28th. Derek suggested the board respond to the survey.

6. Select newspapers of records

Jessica made a motion to select two publications, the Brattleboro Reformer and the Commons, seconded by Andy.

Andy asked if it needs to be published in both, no it does not need to be. All in favor.

7. Appoint 3rd Fence Viewer

Jessica nominated Patrick McQuillan as the third fence viewer, seconded by Jessica. All in favor.

8. Dissolution of Village Cemetery Association

The Village Cemetery Association will take steps to dissolve the nonprofit that they are now. They will write a resolution and run it by the town attorney. It is the cemetery on Main Street right next to the Masonic Hall.

Everyone was unanimous to dissolve the association and turn it over to the town. They charge \$300 per grave.

The Robbins cemetery, we are unsure who owns it. If three people ask the town to take over an abandoned cemetery, it must be posted in the newspaper. If no one responds, after a period of time, the town must take over the cemetery.

9. Stewart Barker emailed Andy and said he would be the Rescue Inc representative.

10. Every year the Selectboard confirms compliance.

Jessica made a motion that the Selectboard has reviewed the road and bridge standards. They do meet or exceed the state standards. Seconded by Kate. All in favor.

11. Review and approve time sheets for town office, listers, highway and transfer station Jessica made a motion to review and approve, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

12. Review and approve pay orders

Jessica made a motion to review and approve the pay orders, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

13. Public concerns

Derek asked about different departments and who approves the hours? The road crew reports to the road foreman who reports to the Road Commissioner.

Susan asked about the cemetery if the town would take it over. The town will appoint a sexton and the Selectboard is the Cemetery Commission.

Andy made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. Seconded by Kate, All in favor.

Submitted by Sara Wiswall