Selectboard Minutes April 8, 2024

Selectboard Present: Andy Coyne (vice-chair), Greg Meulemans, Kate Ullman and Len Beman

Public Present: Greg Lakis (EMD), Mike Tuller (Town Administrator)

1. Call for any late additions to the agenda

A. Purchase pole saw

2. Approve the minutes from the March 25 Regular Meeting of the Selectboard

Kate made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25th meeting, seconded by Len. All in favor.

3. FEMA general update

The damage inventory has been amended; they are trying to streamline the projects. FEMA is working with Vermont Emergency Management to standardize things.

Pikes Falls Road- Damage from July is still being worked on.

Mike is meeting with an engineer to access the projects on Pikes Falls Road and the Ball Mountain Brook area. These are embankment repairs.

July 2021 storm: we are still waiting on payments from FEMA, hopefully they will be paid to the town soon.

The storm in December was declared a disaster. We did not have a lot of damage but did have some.

4. Presentation and approval of the LEMP

Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP)

Greg Lakis- Emergency Management Director (EMD)

The state requires each municipality to redo the LEMP every year, after town meeting and before May 1st.

It must meet all of the requirements of the state. Greg said that our plan does meet all the requirements and is tailored to the specific needs of Jamaica.

It does not tell you how to do things or what is to be done.

It does include planners, municipal ECC, Resources, public information and warning, vulnerable populations, shelters and contact information.

Greg has found all of the names in the LEMP and contacted those that are listed to confirm their roles in the LEMP.

Greg has updated the vehicles that we have in town that can be used in an emergency. Public Notice Locations: Town website (any official information will be posted on the town website), It will also be posted on Jamaica VT Flood and Recovery page on Facebook. It would also be posted at the library, post office, West River Provisions and Rawsonville Store. There are 3 shelters for the town: The school would be the best shelter but it is in the flood zone. The secondary shelter is the Masonic Hall, and the third is the fire station. They all have generators and internet access.

Greg made a motion to approve the Jamaica 2024 LEMP, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

5. Open bids for cemetery and roadside mowing contracts

We received one bid from Austin Meeks of Meeks Maintenance for the cemetery mowing. The cemeteries include Pleasant view, Rawsonville, East Jamaica, South Hill, West Windham, Pikes Falls and West Jamaica.

Greg made a motion to approve the bid from Meeks Maintenance, seconded by Kate. The total would be roughly \$6,730. All in favor.

6. Approve liquor licenses

Second Class license for West River Provisions

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

Kate made a motion to approve the license for West River Provisions for tobacco, seconded by Greg. All in favor.

Second Class license for Blue Dot Beverages

Kate made a motion to approve the liquor license for Blue Dot Beverages, seconded by Len. 3 in favor, 1 abstained.

7. Approve overweight permits

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for Colton Enterprises, seconded by Len. All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for AS Clark & Sons, seconded by Len. All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for Structural Wood Corporation, seconded by Len. All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for Cota & Cota Inc, seconded by Len. All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for Dead River Company, seconded by Len. All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for AmeriGas, seconded by Len. All in favor.

Kate made a motion to approve the overweight permit for The New England Quality Services, seconded by Len. All in favor.

7A. Pole Saw

The road crew have used it for years, it is not working correctly. The repairs are roughly the same as purchasing a new one. The repairs would be around \$600, a new one would be \$650. Greg made a motion to authorize Keith to purchase a new pole saw for around \$650, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

8. *Review and approve time sheets for town office, listers, highway and transfer station* Andy made a motion to approve the timesheets, seconded by Kate. All in favor.

9. Review and approve pay orders

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

10. *Public concerns* No public concerns.

Greg made a motion to adjourn at 7:54 p.m., seconded by Kate.

Respectfully Submitted, Sara Wiswall