

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2016

Present: Doug Niles, Jonathan O'Keefe, Katherine Nelson, Jenn Hanlon, Mark Castonguay, Bill Hawkins, Heather Robinson, Joel Cope , Teresa Potwin, and Paul Lefebvre via phone.

Chairperson, Doug Niles called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Update Agenda: The board updated the agenda to include; Waste district bulky day bid, Jenn Hanlon on Arthur John Road, Bathroom at the Railroad Depot, Heather Robinson on hydroseeder proposal, Market day and Friday Night Live and zoning.

Approve previous minutes: The board reviewed the minutes of the March 16, 2016 meeting. Jonathan O'Keefe motioned to accept the minutes as printed. Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Public comment: Paul Lefebvre, via phone informed the board that he was contacted by Thomas Worth on the naming of the John Boylan Airport. The proposal from Mr. Worth is to change the name of the airport to "Boylan-Worth Airport". The easiest process in doing this is to have the select board sign a petition to change the name and submit it to the Vermont Department of Transportation. If the board chooses not to submit a petition, then Mr. Worth would have to submit a petition with 25 signatures to the Vermont Department of Transportation. The select board said that they are not opposed to changing the name of the airport and are willing to submit a petition, as long as the family members of John Boylan are ok with this. Mr. Lefebvre will contact Mr. Worth and inform him about contacting the family members of Mr. Boylan for approval of this change.

Heather Robinson was present to ask the board if the Town was interested in being part of the grant process to purchase a hydro seeder along with several other towns. This would be an initial \$500.00 from the participating towns. This would include a training course as well as the initial cost of the seed. After this the cost would be \$200.00 annually as well as the cost of the seed. The town is interested in being part of this grant.

Jenn Hanlon was present to discuss the problems she is having on Arthur John Road with Sweet Tree Inc. Jenn presented the board with a copy

of the issues she is having with Sweet Tree and the timeline in which these issues have occurred, as well as possible solutions for these problems. Jenn would like the Act 250 Permit reviewed, as well as a meeting with the select board, herself, and Sweet Tree. Doug Niles agreed that a good starting place would be to set up a meeting with all parties to discuss these issues. Because Jonathan O'Keefe is an employee of Sweet Tree, he has agreed that it would be in the best interest of all parties that he recuse himself from any vote on this issue.

Buildings and Maintenance: Katherine Nelson presented the board with her concerns on the condition of the recycle center building. Ms. Nelson informed the board that some of the windows are broken and in need of repair. Ray is aware of these issues and will work on replacing the windows and do other maintenance to the building as soon as the weather permits.

There has been no new information on the generator.

Roads: Mark informed the board that some of the class 4 roads had been torn up, and the road crew has taken care of these. Joel gave the board a copy of the road closing policy and resolutions for them to look over in case this is needed.

Personnel: Tabled.

Aldrich and Elliott agreement: Jonathan O'Keefe has read over the agreement and is confident in this agreement. A motion was made by Jonathan O'Keefe to have Joel sign this agreement. Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Local Emergency Operations Plan: Joel gave the board a copy of the plan. Joel informed the board that the only change is that we have added the Island Pond Medical Center as a vulnerable site. A motion to adopt the plan as printed was made by Jonathan O'Keefe, Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Hazard Mitigation Plan strategies review: Joel gave the board a copy of the plan to review.

Emergency Management Coordinator: Joel informed the board that Thomas Hanlon has agreed to be the Emergency Management Coordinator.

Northwood's request: Joel gave the board a copy of Northwood's request to partner with them on conservation resource, eco-tourism and economic development projects in the region. The board agreed that this would be ok. Joel will contact Luke O'Brien from Northwoods to let him know that the board is in favor and ask what Northwoods wants to do.

Other business: Joel informed the board that we still have no E911 coordinator at this time and that he has been filling in the position. Jenn Hanlon informed the board that if they are willing to pay her \$1000.00 annually, she would be willing to take the position. A motion was made by Jonathan O'Keefe to appoint Jenn Hanlon as E-911 Coordinator at \$1000.00 annually. Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Kathleen Nelson was present to ask the board that they not support the S.230 on siting, and asked the board to send a letter stating that we do not support this bill. The board tabled this until the next board meeting until all members were present to discuss this.

Joel informed the board of upcoming Town Officers Educational conferences.

Bill Hawkins informed the board of a request to unlock the bathroom at the railroad depot. The board will discuss this further when all board members are present.

The board discussed the Waste District Bulky Day bids. A motion was made by Jonathan O'Keefe to hire Austin's Rubbish for our Bulky Days. Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Joel presented the board with a letter from Richard Gervais Construction stating his interest in contracting with the town on any upcoming projects.

Joel informed the board of zoning violations, and requested to know if the board is willing to go through the process if it presents itself to patrol these violations. The board will discuss this more when all members are present.

Joel informed the board that the Chamber just wanted to know if the board is willing to allow the use of the park for Market Day and Friday Night Live, but could not make it to this meeting.

The town clerk informed the board that 93 dogs remained unregistered, and letters had been sent out.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.