

Select board Meeting Minutes May 20, 2020

Present: Michael Strait, Jeanne Gervais, Heather McElroy, Paul Chambers, Mark Castonguay, Joel Cope, and Teresa DeBonville.

Chairperson, Michael Strait called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Updates to agenda: The agenda was updated to include; School board request, and Bulky Day.

The board discussed a request received from the Brighton School Board to hold a "Social Distancing Graduation" on June 11, 2020 at the town beach. The graduates would walk across the beach area one at a time and receive their diplomas with family members seated in their cars to watch. The board was ok with this as long as they followed the Covid-19 guidelines set in place and this area was cordoned off for this event only during this time.

The board discussed when to have Bulky Day and how to make this a smoother running event. Tentatively the board has set July as the first Bulky Day for 2020. The board has also discussed putting a permit application for Bulky Day in place. This would require the property owner to come to the town clerk's office to pick up a permit if they wish to bring items to Bulky Day. This would be for Brighton property owners or residents only and there would be no charge for this permit. Joel will draft a permit for the board to approve.

Public comment: None.

Road Department: The board will go into executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss Personnel.

Buildings and maintenance: Ray has put up the American flags on the light poles. The board will have Ray put up the orange goose fence along the beach as soon as possible.

Recreation Department: Paul Chambers informed the board that he had received the summer program guidelines from the state and asked the board if they were ok with opening up the summer programming for this year. Following guidelines; the groups will be no larger than 25, temperatures will be taken daily, all staff will wear masks and participants will be encouraged to, disinfecting will be done throughout the day as well. Paul would like to extend the program from 4 weeks to 8 weeks. Paul also asked about hiring assistants to help run the program. The board will discuss hiring, if no volunteers come forward to help. The gym will be used on rainy days as long as all guidelines are followed.

Personnel: Tabled.

Parade Permit: The Brighton Post 80 has applied for a parade permit to hold a “televised only” Memorial Day service at 12:00 PM on May 30, 2020. Jeanne Gervais motions to sign the permit for the “televised only” memorial service as long as all of the state Covid-19 regulations are followed. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Pay orders: The board reviewed and signed the general pay order and the road department pay order.

Pound Keeper: Michael spoke with Scott Buchman about a budget for supplies that he would need for a pound. Scott doesn’t have a budget book together yet; but Scott did state that he would come to the board if he needed anything.

Approve minutes of previous meeting: The board reviewed the minutes of the May 6, 2020 meeting. Jeanne Gervais motions to accept the minutes as printed. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Other business: None.

At this time; the board moved to enter into executive session to consider the appointment or employment of a public employee in accordance with 1VSA 313(a)(3).

*Upon leaving executive session, the board agreed to hire Jesse Nash at the \$18.00 per hour rate, pending review of the VLCT wage and compensation report. Also, he will have to take the Vermont Local Roads “Roads Scholar” Training Project.

*This is subject to change pending Mr. Nash’s acceptance of the position.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.