

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 17, 2021

Present: Michael Strait, Jeanne Gervais, Heather McElroy, Bruce Rumball-Petre, Paul Chambers, Mark Castonguay, Scott Gowdy, Joel Cope, and Teresa Debonville.

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

Updates to agenda: None.

Public comment: None.

Road Department: Mark updated the board on the status of the new dump truck. All that is left is to have the body installed and it will be complete.

Mark also told the board that the sand shed is till half full and the outdoor sand shed is completely full; so, winter supply is looking really good.

Buildings and maintenance: Bruce informed the board that he has replaced the floor tiles in the bathroom at the railroad depot.

Bruce also met with Bucky Tardif and discussed replacing the heating system. Bucky will get an estimate together.

The main phone line in Jeff Noyes' office is not working. Bruce will look to see if he can repair it; and if not, consolidated communications will have to be called.

Recreation Department: Paul informed the board that the recreation department spoke with Vermont Fish and Wildlife about safety guidelines for the fishing tournament. The recreation department is confident that all of the guidelines are able to be met; so, they will proceed with the tournament. There will be no in person awards ceremony this year and weigh ins will be outside behind the town hall. The recreation department will live stream the awards ceremony on facebook.

Paul also informed the board that he will be submitting the RTP Grant next week with the board's permission. This grant will be to establish a one-mile bike trail at the base of Bluff Mountain. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to give Paul permission to submit the RTP Grant application. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Personnel: Nothing.

Pay orders: A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to allow Michael Strait to approve and sign the general pay orders, and the road pay orders. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor so carried.

Overweight Permits: None.

Approve previous minutes: Tabled.

Other business: Scott Gowdy was present to discuss Act 164 which would allow a cannabis dispensary in town. A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to allow the town to act right away and support the process of starting the ball rolling if Act 164 passes. Heather McElroy seconds the motion. Michael Strait abstains his vote on this issue.

Meeting adjourned at 7:04 PM.