

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 21, 2021

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

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

Update Agenda: The agenda was updated to include; brush dump, bulky day, adoption of bond resolution and related documents.

The board discussed the opening date of the brush dump. A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to open the brush dump on Saturday, May 1, 2021. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried. The town will be looking to hire a part-time employee to oversee the brush dump for the 2021 season.

The board discussed alternatives to Bulky Day. It was discussed about charging people and holding one bulky day a year. Also discussed was looking into whether or not Casella or Myers would do a curbside bulky pick-up day. Joel will look into this and see what options may be available.

Public comment: None.

Road Department: Mark discussed the extended warranty options on the new dump truck. Mark will check to see if the extended 5-year warranty starts after the 1-year warranty expires. The board will look into this further after more information is collected.

A motion was made by Heather McElroy to place the black dump truck up for sale with an asking price of \$13,000.00. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

The board agreed to order 2 radar signs to place on Pleasant Street. These will be permanent, and will record data for Jeff to use.

Buildings and maintenance: Bruce gave the board a list of projects he had been working on and those he will continue to work on.

Heather McElroy motions to accept Legacy Signs proposal to place the town logo on all of the town's vehicles. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Recreation: Paul thanked Mark and his crew for helping remove the skate rink boards and for putting up the basketball hoops in the park.

Northwoods may be interested in the old dock. Jeanne will get the amount that the dock is worth and the board will come up with a price. Paul will have Dusty May contact the board on this matter.

Paul mentioned to the board that he was approached by John Predom about holding a hiking event in the northeast kingdom with Island Pond being the “hub”. The board is ok with this. A tentative date of July 31, 2021 has been set for this event.

Paul told the board that he received three quotes for printing the recreation asset map. The board agreed with Paul’s choice to hire Legacy Signs to print these.

Paul spoke with Clyde River Recreation about setting up a satellite operation in Island Pond for kayak rentals. Joel informed the board that he was approached by Rob Simpson about that very same thing before Covid hit. Joel will speak with Rob to see if he is still interested in doing this, and a time frame ,if so as to when he would be able to be up and running or if he was still interested before a final decision is made on this project.

Bond resolution and related documents on the wastewater treatment plant bond: A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to set Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 6:00 PM for the informational meeting; and June 2, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM as the bond vote in an amount not to exceed \$3,756,000.00 subject to reduction from receipt of state and federal grants-in-aid. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

A motion was made by Heather McElroy to adopt the resolution for the bond vote for the sewer project. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to direct the clerk to execute the declaration of intent. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Personnel: Nothing.

Overweight Permits: Tabled.

Liquor Licenses Renewals: A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to approve and sign the liquor license renewals for the Kingdom Grille and the Essex House and Tavern. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Approve minutes of previous meetings: The board reviewed the minutes of the April 7, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to approve the minutes as printed. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Other business: The RFD responses for the downtown revitalization project are due on April 23, 2021 by 3:30 PM. Joel will set a date and time for a special meeting to review the responses.

Joel and Mike met with Erik Somoroff on the cameras.

Mike informed the board that he may have a tentative temporary rental for one of the office spaces in the depot.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.