

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 5, 2022

Present: Michael Strait, Jenne Gervais, Heather McElroy, Zach Letourneau, Andy Martin, Bruce Rumball-Petre and Teresa DeBonville. Attending virtually were: Ed Barber, Joel Cope, Jeff Noyes, Paul Chambers, and Bruce Webster.

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

Updates: The agenda was updated with the following items: Intern presentation and certificate of mileage.

Joel informed the board that in February we would be getting an intern from the University of Vermont's Local Democracy Internship Program. Joel also informed the board that he emailed them a presentation on this.

The 2022 certificate of mileage needs to be signed with no changes made. A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to sign the 2022 certificate of mileage. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Public comment: None.

Road department: The new tractor will be delivered the middle of next week.

The old tractor will be sold; and sealed bids are being accepted. The board will open the bids at the next select board meeting on January 19, 2022.

Andy is working with the water department on upcoming projects so paving can be planned accordingly.

Andy has been in touch with Eric Pope on a grant for the Pleasant Street Project.

Andy has requested the bridge report for all the bridges in town and will be working on getting grants to fix the East Brighton Bridge.

Buildings and maintenance: Bruce informed the board that there is a problem with the alarm system at the Railroad Depot. Bruce will speak with someone on the cost to fix this problem.

The sprinkler system heads have been changed at the Railroad Depot. We also need to get quotes to bring this system up to standards.

Recreation: Paul has received a \$1000.00 grant for a re-fillable water system for the welcome center.

The recreation department will be looking into purchasing a snow blower.

Paul has been speaking with Andy about having some trees cleared at the base of the bluff mountain trail. A forester will need to be contacted first and a forest management plan will need to be done.

Budget report: The board reviewed the 2021 budget.

Town meeting 2022 planning: Town meeting 2022 will be held in person in the Town Hall.

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

Personnel: The board will go into executive session at the end of the meeting on employee raises.

Approve previous minutes: The board reviewed the minutes of the December 15, 2021 meeting and the special meeting held on December 27, 2021. A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to accept the minutes as printed. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Other business: A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to sign the elevator inspection service agreement. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Andy told the board that someone was interested in the old generator at the Dale Ave garage. The board gave permission for this to be sold.

A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to go into executive session to discuss employee wages. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.