

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES APRIL 20, 2022

Present: Michael Strait, Heather McElroy, Jeanne Gervais, Bruce Rumball-Petre, Andy Martin, Lisa Cooper, Maria Perry and Teresa DeBonville. Attending virtually: Renee Falconer, Joel Cope, Milinda Sterling, Bruce Webster, and Paul Chambers.

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

Update Agenda: Coin drop.

Lisa Cooper and Maria Perry were present to request doing a coin drop for the woman's auxiliary on Saturday, May 28, 2022, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. A motion to approve the request was made by Jeanne Gervais. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Public comment: None.

Animal Control Officer: Renee Falconer attended the meeting to give the board advice on hiring an animal control officer. We must re-write the dog ordinance and Renee suggested looking at The Town of Derby's Ordinance. In order to allow an animal control officer to write tickets we must get an officer number and we can get this online. Milinda Sterling is interested in the position as Brighton's animal control officer. Renee also told the board that she would be willing to be the pound keeper for Brighton. Renee also mentioned to the board that in 2023 the state will require specific training to become an animal control officer; and VLCT offers these training courses. The board will re-do the dog ordinance for the Town of Brighton and proceed from there.

Road Department: Andy told the board that the grinder for Pleasant Street will be here ASAP to start the job.

The street sweeper will also be here probably by next week. The board asked Andy to schedule him to come again the week before July 4th, 2022.

Andy will be starting to deburr the side of Pleasant Street soon.

Andy mentioned to the board about contacting the snowmobile club to see if they would be willing to pay to fix the crossing on Pleasant Street onto Bellevue Avenue.

Buildings and maintenance: Bruce told the board that the toilet in the depot building has been replaced and the floor has been fixed.

Bruce has been sweeping the sidewalks this week cleaning up the sand.

Bruce is almost finished painting the gym.

On April 27th and 28th we will have the lift here; so, Bruce has a list of projects he will be doing while we have this; including washing the outside of the windows at the town hall.

Bruce asked the board if we could purchase 5 more picnic tables from the same gentleman that made the ones last year; and getting umbrellas to put on the picnic tables. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to approve the purchase of 5 more picnic tables and umbrellas. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Bruce will be working on putting up the goose fence.

Recreation: Paul has a request from Green Mountain Club Trails to use the pavilion on June 25th, 2022, for sign-ups for a hike. The board agreed this would be ok.

Rise Vermont has sent a grant of \$1000.00 for swim lessons for Brighton kids.

We will contact the State Park to see if they would like the old playground equipment; with the stipulation that they sign a waiver stating that the town holds no responsibility of the equipment.

The board has decided not to allow anyone to use the gym for birthday parties.

The advertisement for the Recreation Director position will be put in all 3 papers.

Port-A-Potties will be delivered next week.

Newport Dispatch Contract: A motion was made by Heather McElroy to allow Joel Cope to speak with Newport Dispatch to have them remove the clause from the contract stating indemnification. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

CUD Appointment: A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to appoint Michael Strait as the CUD representative; and Jonah Rumball-Petre as the alternate representative. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Phil White Swim: A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to approve the request for the Phil White Swim being held on August 7, 2022. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Liquor License: The board reviewed and signed the liquor license renewal for the Kingdom Grille.

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

Overweight permits: A motion was made by Heather McElroy to allow Michael Strait to sign the overweight permit for VTUMS. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Approve minutes of the previous meeting: Tabled.

Other business: The brush dump is scheduled to open on Saturday May 7, 2022. Kevin Cate will be the attending just until we can find a replacement.

Jeanne Gervais motions to appoint Bruce Rumball-Petre as the Town and School Moderator. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Personnel: Tabled.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.