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Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 24, 2021

In attendance: Selectboard Chair Howard Hall, Selectboard Member Teresa Smith, Town Constable Nathan Barcomb, Town Clerk-Treasurer Maggie McCormick, Gary Norton

Via Zoom: Emergency Management Coordinator Bob Groff

AGENDA

1. Howard called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.
2. Additions/deletions to agenda: None.
3. Approval of the minutes of the August 10, 2021 Selectboard meeting
 - a. Tabled until next meeting.
4. Constable's Report
 - a. No problems at Arnold Bay
 - i. Rick hasn't called him
 - ii. People following rules
 - iii. Howard asked that Nate remain vigilant on parking at Arnold Bay
 - b. Teresa noted that the Selectboard plans to invite other elected Town Officials to provide a "report" as an opportunity for the Board to check in with other elected Town officials.
5. Emergency Management Coordinator's Report
 - a. Vermont and the rest of the country is seeing a spike in Covid Cases. Primarily of the Delta variant and primarily in unvaccinated people.
 - b. Currently, Governor Scott is encouraging mask wearing and vaccination, but is not mandating masks.
 - c. Preparation for Henri—the State's emergency response network was well-activated but unnecessary.
 - i. Teresa thanked Bob for his due-diligence and pro-active communications
6. Communications—
 - a. Gary Norton reported multiple incidents of cars speeding on Slang Road and off-roading in the fields.
 - i. He has heard/seen this at 8:00 a.m., 1:30, 4:30 p.m. and as late as 10:00 p.m.

- ii. Slang Road surface is being torn up.
 - iii. Selectboard/Clerk will contact sheriff to patrol
 - b. Appraisal Review Committee
 - i. Committee member Bob Groff reported
 - 1. Paul Sokal has talked with Beth Tarallo about the appraisal process
 - 2. The former assessor's formula/s remain unknown
 - c. Howard reported on a new cyanobacteria bloom at Arnold Bay
 - i. Durable signs will be made and installed at Arnold Bay during the summer months
 - d. Howard provided an update on the salt shed
 - i. Only five of nine rafters in the building plan were received.
 - ii. Fabric cover welds are not up to specification.
 - iii. The fabric cover received was in six sections, instead of the two-section cover specified.
 - iv. The construction team will return to complete the shed once the needed parts are received.
 - e. Howard also reported on the equipment barn
 - i. Construction is 90% complete
 - ii. Remaining work is door installation
 - f. Paving
 - i. Rubber chip sealing on Basin Harbor Rd and Panton Rd
 - ii. Paving rutted by heavy vehicles
 - iii. Bus off road at garage
 - g. Hopkins Road Bulletin Board
 - i. Complete
 - h. Open meetings law post-Covid state of emergency
 - i. At least one member of each Town entity must be physically present at Town Hall for meetings to allow public participation.
- 7. Public comments: None.
- 8. Review/approval of accounts payable warrant, timesheets & payroll warrant
- 9. Howard moved to accept the accounts payable warrant, timesheets & payroll warrant. Teresa seconded. All in favor; the warrants were approved.
- 10. Executive session for the purpose of discussing potential litigation and Junk Ordinance enforcement. The Selectboard determined that executive session was not needed at this time.
- 11. Adjournment
 - a. Teresa moved to adjourn. Howard seconded. All in favor; the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Maggie McCormick
Clerk-Treasurer