

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 17, 2020, 2:30 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

Present: Selectboard members Richard Baker, Christopher Martin, and Laurie Colgan; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Road Crew members Tim Ksepka and Scott Ciampi; Visitors via telephone: Shauna Clifford from VTrans, Diana Fielder from Onion River Foodshelf, and Sonia Carrasco from the Jaquith Board

At 2:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Martin

Changes or additions to the agenda: application for commercial use

Public Comment:

Review and Approval of Minutes: The Board approved the minutes of February 18, February 25, and March 3. Minutes of March 2 and Town Meeting were tabled.

Pickup: The Board has bids for a Ford, \$48,636, and a Chevrolet, \$49,629. After hearing from the Tim and Scott, Laurie moved to order the Ford. Chris seconded – all in favor. The 2011 pickup will be sold at a later date rather than traded.

Railroad Bed: Rich informed the Board that the signs have been taken down. He has heard from the manager of the sugaring operation that they plan to build a parking area adjacent to the ponds for the public.

Highways: The Board spoke with Shauna Clifford from VTrans and decided to review the bridge inspection reports and discuss possible grant opportunities with Shauna at a later date. The Board signed the Certificate of Compliance with Road and Bridge Standards.

COVID-19: The Board took the following actions to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus:

- Rich moved to cancel the rabies clinic and waive late fees until May 1st. Laurie seconded – all in favor.
- Chris moved to designate any one member of the Selectboard to sign payroll and warrants. Rich seconded – all in favor.
- The Board spoke with Diana Fielder from the Onion River Foodshelf, and Sonia Carrasco from the Library Board of Trustees. All parties agreed to close the Old Schoolhouse Common to the public, and to only allow tenants, their clients, and town employees. The Food Shelf will allow one client at a time to access the building. All short-term rentals are cancelled.
- The Selectboard suspended all public meetings except Selectboard meetings, and only necessary business will be on the agenda.

Planning Commission: Rich moved to change the number of members on the commission to three. Chris seconded – all in favor.

Old Schoolhouse Common: The Board approved a request for Jeff Guerin to use the kitchen for commercial use, with the condition that if he needs to use it while the building is closed, he will contact the Selectboard for permission.

Old Schoolhouse Common Recreation Improvements: tabled

Traffic Enforcement: tabled

Personnel Issue: tabled

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll. They approved a liquor license for Rainbow Sweets.

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the March 17, 2020 Selectboard Meeting.
A True Record. Attest, _____, Town Clerk
