

## SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Tuesday, June 2, 2020, 5:30 p.m, Virtual meeting via Zoom

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Present: Selectboard members Richard Baker, Christopher Martin, and Laurie Colgan; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Library Director Susan Green; Visitors Ruby Klarich, Tyler Molleur (Hardwick Gazette)

At 5:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Martin

**Changes or additions to the agenda:** Letter to Cochran/Kirk, Appt to Conservation Commission, Request for Outdoor Consumption Permit, Tax Rates, Photos from Ducharme residence

**Public Comment:** none

**Review and Approval of Minutes:** The Board approved the minutes of May 19, 2020

**Twinfield Graduation:** Twinfield Senior Ruby Klarich explained that the senior class would like to have a parade up Nasmith Brook Road and down Maple Hill Road to celebrate their graduation, on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Ruby stated that everything would be road-legal. They had wanted to have four-wheelers but due to questions about insurance, etc. it was agreed that the parade will be only registered vehicles. The Board approved.

**COVID19:** Susan, Bobbi and the Selectboard discussed when and how to reopen the Old Schoolhouse Common. The bathrooms will be closed to the public. The Board discussed the difference between opening the building and opening the offices. They will keep the front door locked for now. Susan mentioned that if we are going to keep the front door locked but allow her to open the library, it would work better for her if we could have a buzzer in the library so that she can hear when people are outside. She would like to limit the number of people in the library to 10 including staff. Rich suggested that Susan should think about using the side entrance so people could enter the library directly. Susan explained that the side entrance is in poor shape because the snow sits on the platform. The Board asked her to talk to Dan about what needs to be done to fix up the platform and railing, and look at what would be needed to put a roof over that entrance. The Board agreed that people need to wear a mask when they are in the building.

The interior door has been installed in the Town Clerk's Office. Chris explained that the first door that we received was the wrong door, and he has talked to Poulin Lumber. They agreed to either take the door back or give the Town a discount so that it can be sold. Dan Tetreault may have a buyer for the door.

**Fire Warden Complaint:** The Board has reviewed the draft letter and asked Bobbi to send it.

**Outdoor Consumption Permit:** The Board received an application for an outdoor consumption permit at the Marshfield Village Store. The requested space is 15' x 20' on the side of the building. The survey on file for the property doesn't indicate that the Marshfield Village Store owns that much property. The Board approved the permit with the condition that the activity is on the side

of the building, on property owned by Ciara Roberts, unless the adjoining landowner gives permission to use some of his property. A copy of the survey will be attached.

**Appointments:** Rich Baker will serve as the alternate member on the CVFiber Board until a regular member can be appointed, so that the town can be represented.

The Selectboard appointed J. Bradley Materick to the Conservation Commission.

**Tax Rates:** Bobbi notified the Selectboard that the Vermont Department of Taxes will be late establishing the education tax rates this year, so it won't be possible to send education tax bills at the usual time. After discussion, the Board agreed that it makes more sense to send the bills later and have them due later, instead of sending separate bills for education and municipal taxes.

**Ordinance violation:** The Board discussed photos of the Gerard Ducharme property. The photos show approximately a dozen cars, and a couple of trucks full of scrap metal. Chris has been under the impression that the property is being cleaned up, but it sounds like more cars are being brought to the site. The Board will draft a letter to Gerard, letting him know that if he is planning to open a junkyard, he needs to begin the permit process under the salvage yard regulations. Chris will also contact Gerard to find out his plans.

**Expenses, Permits & Payroll:** Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll. They authorized Rich to sign the orders. They approved a curb cut for James D. Barrows and authorized Bobbi to sign the application on their behalf.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the June 2, 2020 Selectboard Meeting.  
A True Record. Attest, \_\_\_\_\_, Town Clerk

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