

## SELECTBOARD MEETING

### MINUTES

June 18, 2019

- I. OPEN MEETING – The June 18, 2019 Selectboard meeting was opened at 6:01PM by Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. Those present: Haven Haynes, Jr., Gregory Noyes, Noreen Labrecque, Richard Thibeault, April Busfield, Jack & Connie Provencher, Joe Daley
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Gregory and seconded by Haven the June 3, 2019 Selectboard meeting minutes were approved
- III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – Review newsletter, violation letters, Community Forest item
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS -
  1. Jack & Connie Provencher – Jack and Connie Provencher were in to express their concerns with the heavy truck traffic on Judd Road dumping on the Belleville property above them. Their main concern is that their well is located below where the dumping is taking place and they don't know what is being dumped. The other concerns are the noise and it being a safety issue for the residents living on Judd Road. They have spoken with Bob Lee about this last year and he recommended they see if it continues another year. This spring it has continued with sometimes 14 loads in one day. The Selectboard suggested that it probably is just fill but will look into the complaint.
- V. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY –
  1. Hudson Road – Lemington portion – Scott Nichols called in to discuss the Selectboard's plan for Hudson road. He stated that he would like to bring in some gravel to fix the rough portions of the road but if the board is allowing ATV traffic on the road he can't see spending his money on it. The Selectboard stated that with their revised ATV Ordinance, Hudson Road has been removed as one of the roads for ATV travel. One reason is that a portion of that road is in the Town of Lemington and Lemington does not allow ATV traffic on any of their roads. The other reason is the portion of the Lemington road is not passable therefore a liability for ATV use. The Selectboard have erected "DEAD END" signs on both ends of Hudson Road and Old County Road at the Canaan/Lemington line. Scott asked if that was all the board plans on doing. Haven answered yes. Haven informed Scott of the new Class 4 Highway Policy that they recently enacted. Noreen will send Scott a copy.  
Joe Daley was in to inform the board of his discoveries regarding Lemington's portion of Hudson Road. He stated that road is not recognized on the State Road's map for Lemington. They are trying to locate a survey of that portion of road so they can get it recognized by the State. Once that is done they have tentative plans on fixing the road so it will be passable. Joe stated that they had representatives of the ATV Club at one of their board meetings recently and informed them that Lemington does not allow any

ATV traffic on their roads and encouraged the ATV Club representatives not to be using any Lemington roads for ATV traffic and suggested they form trails on private lands.

2. Joe Daley – plowing Todd Hill – Joe stated that he is interested in continuing plowing on Todd Hill for a couple more years. He asked if the Selectboard would consent to using our winter sand on the hill. He figured he uses about 600 yards of sand per year including the Lemington roads so he thought 25% of that for Canaan’s portion of Todd Hill. He would fill up his truck at the Canaan yard when he comes to town to fuel up. On a motion by Gregory and seconded by Haven the Selectboard approved the plowing and additional winter sand. Joe will write up a contract for the board to sign.
3. Parking on roadway – Gregory stated that they will need to take legal action against the residents who are parking on River Road because it has become a dangerous situation.
4. Meeting with Eric Pope and Jason Sevigny June 25<sup>th</sup> by Quechee bldg. – info only
5. Projects this summer – Richard stated that there are two projects he would recommend for this summer. One is approximately 1300 yards of gravel on Todd Hill from the intersection of Hudson Road to the Lemington town line and the other is on the Fund Road, approximately 1100 yards for 7/10 of a mile. He got a price of \$13.33/yard for gravel. Another project he would like the Selectboard to consider is paving Hall Stream Road. Richard stated that the road is rough and hard on the plow trucks in the winter time. He suggested just shimming the low spots for a cheaper fix. The board approved Richard getting prices for the shimming on Hall Steam Road. The board would like to review the graveling projects with Richard on site.
6. No grant from Better Roads this year – info only
7. Grant - \$5,700 +/- where to use – Richard would like to use these funds for a culvert on River Road by the property owned by Vern Crawford.

#### VI. REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT –

1. Sewer Commissioners quarterly meeting – July 9<sup>th</sup> – info only
2. Need to move sampler – April Busfield was in to inform the Selectboard of a pump at the Ethan Allen Pump Station either needs to be replaced or repaired. She had prices for both. To repair the existing pump it will be \$3400. To replace with the same pump \$5400. To replace with a different pump which is similar to the new pumps going into the Treatment Plant this year except it doesn’t have the grinding feature and has been recommended by other Wastewater Treatment operators for a price of \$5200. The board discussed the three options with April after which a motion was made by Gregory and seconded by Haven to replace the failed pump at the Ethan Allen Pump Station with the new recommended pump at a price of \$5200. April stated that she would eventually like to replace all the pumps with this same pump.....perhaps one per year. A discovery was made by the Contractor and herself last week when doing some prep work at the Treatment Plant for the upcoming project. The new road being proposed for the Septage receiving runs in front of the outdoor sampler so it will be impossible for her to open the door to the sampler once the road is constructed. She and the contractors came up with a solution to move the sampler to the electrical/meter room

within the Headworks building. This will be done outside of the project. Board will review with April on site.

VII. SOLID WASTE –

1. Stump Dump attendant – Gregory will take care of this.
2. Marc want a sign made directing for FedEx Bulb pick up. Board approved the purchase of a sign for the FedEx bulb pickup.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

1. Junkie Yard Letters – The board will schedule another ride around to review all properties involved.
2. State Fire Marshall Inspection – Haven has contacted the State Fire Marshall to inspect the buildings that have been identified as hazardous by the Selectboard. The State Fire Marshall has set up that meeting for July 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. Vermont Leadership Summit – nomination – No action
4. Contract for Services – signature – The Selectboard reviewed and executed the contract for services with Donald Labrecque for mowing this season.

IX. OLD BUSINESS – no action

X. OTHER BUSINESS – no action

XI. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT - NOTE: Signed warrant in the amount of \$60,928.99 on the day before the meeting.

XII. ADJOURN MEETING – Motion was made by Gregory to adjourn the meeting. Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. adjourned the June 18, 2019 Selectboard meeting at 7:39PM.