

SELECTBOARD MEETING

Minutes

June 14, 2021

- I. OPEN MEETING – Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. opened the June 14, 2021, Selectboard meeting at 6:05 PM. Those present: Haven Haynes, Jr., Frank Sawicki, Jr., Alfred Buckley, Noreen Labrecque, Richard Thibeault, Morgan Wade, and via zoom Scott Larose and Kim Sweatt.
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Frank and seconded by Al the June 1, 2021, Selectboard meeting minutes were unanimously approved.
- III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA –
 1. Morgan Wade – report on Broadband CUD
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS –
 1. Vincent Illuzzi and Sheriff - No show
 2. Rep from NETO – Scott Larose spoke to the board via zoom about the NETO free weatherization program. He will be sending information to the Town.
- V. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY –
 1. Kim Sweatt was in attendance via zoom to discuss the recent resurfacing of Canaan Hill Road. The board and Richard will review on June 18, 2021, at noon. The board will also check the Community Forest Road.
 2. Update on Engineer for Bridge – Frank has set up a meeting with Tyler Billingsly (Engineer), Eric Pope and Jason Sevigny to examine the Hall Stream Bridge on June 16, 2021, at 1:00PM. The Selectboard and Richard will attend this meeting.
 3. VTrans Grant documents – due June 25, 2021. Motion was made by Frank and seconded by Al to execute the document. Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. signed the Letter of Intent to Participate.
 4. Gate on Hudson Road – Richard explained to the board that the proposed gates for Hudson Road will need more thought than just putting up the gate since there are full time residents and it does include access to a resident in Lemington. Richard suggested an informational meeting or meet with the residents onsite. The proposed gate would only be for Spring mud season only. The purpose is to try to keep the road passable.

The board heard from Morgan Wade who is Canaan's representative to the NEK Community Broadband Communications Union District. Morgan explained that she is on the Executive Board. Their goal is to bring broadband to all addresses in the Northeast Kingdom. The CUD is planning on using existing "backbone fiber" where possible. Canaan does have some existing fiber. They will be starting with an engineer design, followed by scheduling and supplies. The

plan is to start building in the spring of 2022. Morgan will send information to be included in the Canaan Carrier Newsletter this month.

5. Richard said that he has completed all the grading in town. Rob Kimball has asked for chloride for dust control on the Canaan Hill end of Hudson Road. Richard will get that done.
6. Brian will be attending the hydroseeding workshop on Thursday, June 17th.

VI. REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT – no action

VII. SOLID WASTE –

1. Coos County Recycling Center agreement – review and sign – The Selectboard read through the agreement and on a motion by Al and seconded by Frank the Board executed the Coos County Recycling Center Agreement.
2. Camera and battery back- up – Frank will install this week.
3. Dumpster for C&D – Haven said that Marc suggested the extra dumpster. Haven wondered if there is grant money out there to cover this purchase. The board wondered how often the incident with the hauler has happened in the past or if this was just a fluke. They will meet with Marc to discuss and get prices from JK Lynch.
4. Review C&D construction debris – The board will review the Construction debris sheets to determine if there is a problem with excess dumping by individuals.
5. Send a letter to Border Station about use of town bag for filters – The letter will go out tomorrow along with a photo of the filters in question.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS –

1. CNC & Historical Society Scavenger Hunt – Frank explained the event is to help make the public aware of the businesses and municipal buildings in town.
2. Letter of support for Rec Park – The Selectboard approved and signed the letter of support.

IX. OLD BUSINESS –

1. Review and approve Policies – Cash Receipt, Balanced Budget, Accounting, On Call. The board will work on June 28, 2021, at 5:00PM prior to their regularly scheduled meeting.
2. School meet and greet – July 12th Selectboard meeting – CTE & Facilities Directors and Principal. There will be a walk-thru on August 30th at 4:30PM to display all the upgrades and repairs that have been completed over the summer months.

X. OTHER BUSINESS –

1. Do we continue with offering ZOOM once the governor lifts the emergency order? How about the VTEL WIFI service?? The board will try to get public input about continuing this service.
2. The board reviewed a letter from a resident regarding the Junkie Yard letter sent on June 2nd. The board will set up a time to meet with him at his residence.
3. Frank has been contacted by the Umbrella group with regards to a mural they would like to display somewhere in Town.

XI. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT - \$81,754.59

XII. ADJOURN MEETING – On a motion by Frank and seconded by Al, Chairman Haven Haynes, Jr. adjourned the June 14, 2021, Selectboard meeting at 7:51 PM.