

SELECTBOARD MEETING

MINUTES

April 24, 2017

- I. OPEN MEETING – The April 24, 2017 Selectboard meeting opened at 6:00 PM. Those present: Gregory Noyes, Haven Haynes, Jr., Frank Sawicki, Jr., Noreen Labrecque.
Members of the Public: Melody Houle, Kathy Meader, Mike Daley, Terry Kimball, Elaine (?)
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the April 10, 2017 Selectboard meeting minutes were approved.
- III. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO AGENDA – (Greg) Decide on date to work on ordinances, date for ride around, junkie yards.
- IV. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
 1. Kathy Meader (North Country Chamber of Commerce) – Moose Festival – Kathy Meader and Mike Daley were present to give the Selectboard a run-down of some of the new activities the Chamber is planning for this year’s Moose Festival. Since she met with the Rec Park Committee earlier this month they have added a few more events which they will present to the committee at their next meeting. Kathy explained that they have plans of a Beer/Wine Tent within the tennis court area with Time Out Tavern catering the event. They also have a band lined up for music. The Beer/Wine tent will be open from 6:00PM to 10:00PM on Friday night. They will provide plenty of lighting in the area. They are also thinking of moving the food vendors closer to the tennis court area in case they wish to continue selling during that time. The Selectboard stated that they will need to provide law enforcement presence during that time as well. Since the Festival will be held in Canaan for both Friday and Saturday Kathy stated that anyone purchasing a \$5.00 gate fee on Friday can use that for Saturday as well. The Selectboard were all in favor of the plans and wished the Chamber group well.
 2. Terry Kimball – Terry Kimball was in to discuss her Tax Bill and Sewer and Water charges. The board explained to her that the tax assessment on her property would need to be brought to the Lister board at a Grievance hearing and that usually takes place in June. The water charges were to be brought before the Canaan Fire District #1 Prudential Committee and the Sewer charges were based on a formula that was developed in their ordinance.
- V. REPORT FROM HIGHWAY – Melody Houle brought in some pictures for the board on her phone depicting the condition of Hudson Road. She said it is drying up nicely from Todd Hill to their property but still very wet beyond that point. She suggested that the road needs to be

graded with a crown in the middle so the water will run off to the ditches instead of staying in the roadway. She stated that the Nichol's will be moving to their property on Hudson Road in May. Gregory reminded Melody that Hudson Road is a class 4 road and asked if the Nichol's were aware of the minimal maintenance that is required for Class 4 road and this will continue even if they move there year round. Melody stated that the Nichol's are aware of how they (Melody and Patrick) are living up there year round. Melody thought another two weeks and the road should be dry enough to grade. Gregory stated that Richard will check the condition before any grading will take place. Richard was not present for a report to Selectboard.

VI. REPORT FROM WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLAN – no report

VII. SOLID WASTE

1. Introduction of proposed Ordinance - Variable Rate Pricing by Volume or Weight for Municipal Solid Waste Collection. – On a motion by Haven and seconded by Frank the board introduced the Civil Ordinance for Variable Rate Pricing by Volume or Weight for Municipal Solid Waste Collection. Gregory explained to those present the requirement for this ordinance.

2. Kids digging in dumpsters – off hours. – Frank will address this.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Complete Health Officer forms – The Town Health Officer Recommendation Form was completed and signed by Chairman Gregory D. Noyes and will be submitted to the VT Dept. of Health.

2. Contract for Highway Services (VLCT sample) – No action

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Appointments – Zoning board – The Selectboard signed the appointment of Renee Marchesseault to the Zoning and Planning Commission.

2. New Stump Dump attendant? – Gregory had contacted Mark Donovan for the position as he had been the substitute for this position when Ken Rogers was unavailable. A job description will be created.

3. Mitigation Plan update? Gregory has reached out via email to Bruce Melendy and Dave Snedeika with regard to the Mitigation Plan. Bruce responded explaining that they will probably be hiring a consultant to complete this task.

Gregory stated that there is an NVDA event that he would like to attend on May 16th.

Frank will try to get the time off from work and attend as well.

X. OTHER BUSINESS –

1. Sign Franchise Tax Form – Gregory signed form.

2. Vern Crawford was in to report to the Board of the meeting he attended regarding Fire Wardens. Vern's term for Fire Warden will expire in 2018 and he stated that he will not be pursuing the position beyond that date. He stated that Norm Flanagan has expressed interest in the position and will use this year to train Norman if the board is in

favor. The board agreed with this recommendation. If Vern should be out of town Vern stated that Norman will be able to issue Burn Permits in his absence.

3. The board will meet on May 9th at 5:30PM to work on updating ordinances.
4. Junkie yards will be addressed when board does their yearly ride around.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In: Motion: Haven Second: Frank Action: Discuss vacation time for personnel Time: 8:05PM

Out: Motion: Haven Second: Frank Action: No action Time: 8:14PM

XII. SORT MAIL/SIGN WARRANT – \$48,943.68

XIII. ADJOURN MEETING