

UNAPPROVED
SELECT BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 22, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Charles Rockwell, Linda Montague, Thomas Wilson, Deborah Baker and Philip E. Mazzucco.

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Lenhardt, John LaVecchia, Brett Lourie, Donald Lewis, Renee Kitts and Jason Norton.

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

1. Town Green: Don Campbell, contact person for the Vermont Land Trust has specifics to be discussed about the Town Green conservation easement.
2. Vermont Council on Aging has grants available to some people 60 years of age and over for caregiver assistance. Grant applications are due 04/01/22.
3. Training for the new, image cast voting machine will be at the Equinox Hotel on May 6th and on May 19th from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.
4. Vermont League of Cities and Towns audits are in area towns. Anyone has the right to film any public place and persons within them.
5. Board will sign the \$16,818.00 grant check for the Rupert Village Trust tonight.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Debbie announced that there is a job fair in Essex Junction on April 26th. The Town may have a booth there to advertise for employees. No action by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Highway: Damage to a plow frame and wing. Crew has been fixing potholes.
2. Phil said we await an estimate from Tom Cassidy for the walk in vault, concrete work and new roof for the Town Office. Tom will do the work on the new windows too.
3. John Thrasher will be contacted again about drawing up the deed for the land swap with the Fire Company.
4. Zoning Board Administrator John LaVecchia said that there is going to be a written agreement with White Doe Farm and their neighbor about the use of the farm property. Verbal terms have been negotiated so far.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. We need rules and the administration of them for the Town Green. A camper was parked there recently without permission.
2. Andrea will get another quote for doing the three year Town audit, and Debbie received notice from NEMRC on how to read an audit.
3. The Town has to give permission to place poles in the right-of-way so that the Firehouse can have access to the HUB 66 internet service.
4. Constables Jason Norton and Brett Lourie will pay a call to the owner of a vicious Great Dane in response to a letter from the neighbor, Erica Shott.
5. Library Trustees have recommended Anniken Davenport to fill the vacant trustee position. Town will advertise about the opening to see if anyone else is interested in serving.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Discussion of personnel issues. Went into session at 7:44 p.m. Came out at 8:01 p.m. Motion by Debbie, seconded by Phil to hire Brett Lourie as a full time highway employee at \$21.00 per hour. Motion carried.

Orders were signed.

Motion by Tom, seconded Phil to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Montague
Select Board Clerk

