

APPROVED  
SELECTBOARD MINUTES  
November 28, 2023

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Donald Lewis, Susan Nichols, and Jed Rubin.

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

TOWN CLERK:

1. Debbie said that the last payment for the Town Highway Garage has been paid off.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Letter from Isaac Wagner about \$60,000.00 of the grant being received for the Sheldon Store restoration project. There will be a public meeting to be held concerning the project at the Town Office. Also, an architect's feasibility study needs to be performed for Sheldon's Store. Once Town approval is given, Rupert Village Trust will continue with their efforts to improve the property.
2. Winter sand is here at the Highway shed. The white truck is ready for the Town to be put up for sale. Rotted trees were taken down at the McNealus residence.
3. Consensus of the Board to have the Sheldon Store public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on December 12<sup>th</sup>.
4. The engineers have placed a location for the Sheldon's Store drilled well. An easement from the Town must be granted to them as the proposed well will be on the Town Green property. Motion by Tom, seconded by Phil to grant Rupert Village Trust an easement to drill a well, after legal review by the Town Attorney. Motion carried.
5. An unpermitted garage is under construction with no zoning permit having been issued at the Dillon property on Kent Hollow Road.
6. Charlie attended the joint meeting with Sandgate and Salem to gain information on the planned sale of a large land parcel to the State of Vermont. Most of the property is in Sandgate. If sold to the State, which will have it used for recreational purposes; the property will be exempt from ordinary real estate taxes. The State is now computing how much revenue per year they will give the Town in the form of Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jed mentioned that there will be an organizational meeting concerning the rail trail project.

Motion by Tom, seconded by Phil to go into executive session at 7:10 p.m. to discuss a legal matter. Motion carried. Motion by Tom, seconded by Phil for the Selectboard to authorize Charlie to work with our legal counsel, and negotiate to resolve the issue, and reach a settlement with a taxpayer. Motion carried. Motion by Debbie, seconded by Phil to have Charlie represent the Town to discuss the matter. Motion carried. Came out of executive session at 7:23 p.m.

Orders were signed by the Board. Motion by Tom, seconded by Phil to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Montague  
Selectboard Clerk