

Town Manager Report
February 12th, 2024, Regular Selectboard Meeting

Killington Forward Initiative:

- *Repeat:* Blasting and other construction is being performed from Shagback to East Mountain Road for Water Contract 1-3A.
- *Repeat for Contract 4 and 1A:* The second and final projects as part of Phase 1 include road and water projects inside and around the ski village. Both plans are reaching 90% completion and bid solicitation is still scheduled for Spring of 2024
- The town has submitted its second reimbursement from the revolving loan fund for contract 1-3A for approximately \$120,000.
- The Original Taxable Value is under review by VEPC. Out of the 12 questions, only 3 are left to be resolved. The OTV must be submitted before debt is incurred.
- *Repeat:* The 3rd well site was drilled, and a 12-inch casing reached the target depth of 96 feet, where a large amount of water and cobbles were produced. The next steps are to design and install the screen, submit necessary applications to begin pump tests, submit reports, and obtain a source permit.
- The State Bond Bank has awarded the town 2 loans for an approximate total of \$3 Million to cover the construction costs from Anthony Way to Route 4. Out of the loans, 90% will be covered by TIF with the remainder being repaid by rate fees from municipal water users.
- A jurisdiction opinion is being requested for Contract 4 and future phased projects extending to Rt. 4. This request is pending.
- The town hosted an information meeting with property owners who will have the opportunity to connect along the scope of contract 4.

New Town Hall:

- Architectural drawing is behind schedule. The updated time for their arrival is the week of February 12th, 2024.
- USPS has been contacted to update their payment information.

General Government Operations:

- Town Reports have been completed and mailed.
- The town hosted the Vermont Outdoor Recreation Economic Collaborative's Quarterly Steering Committee meeting at the Welcome Center on February 9th, 2024.
- The town has made draft amendments to the False Alarm Ordinance and Volunteer Service Amendment Ordinance to remove language regarding the Sherburne Volunteer Fire Department and Constables. The changes also include directing registration and self-reporting directly to the Fire Chief instead of both the Fire Chief and Police Chief.
- Lucrecia, Linda, and I are working on a website redesign.
- Contracts have expired for our existing phone services and the town has signed a contract with VTEL to be our provider moving forward. Phone installation is scheduled sometime over the next 90 days. The plan is \$1,995 per month and includes a 60-month commitment, 11

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concurrent calls/lines, 53 premium handsets with their phone number and features, a bulk long-distance plan, up to 10 analog adapters, 1 auto attendant, 2 32-button attendant consoles, 6 x 1,000 Mbps synchronous internet connections (same download/upload speeds), all routers/switches, and no install charge. Under new horizons, the town paid approximately \$2500/month.

- Cannabis Bylaws went through a Public Hearing by the Planning Commission and are now being held by the Selectboard.
- Signs along East Mountain Road have been updated to 30 MPH.
- A request is into Public Works to fix the light for the crosswalk just South of West Hill Road
- Killington/Pico Area Association staff have been trained to use the electronic sign and will help manage the posting of messages.
- A state grant has been launched that allows the town to make upgrades to the library which include lighting and additions. The training was attended on January 30th by town staff and the application deadline is March.
- The town hired a new Assistant Planner to train under the Planning Director and Zoning Administrator. All vacancies with the town have been filled for FY24
- The town has begun drafting the 2024 RAISE Grant in partnership with VHB Engineering.

FEMA/East Mountain Road:

- A Reimbursement Request for Rim Road emergency work has been submitted.

Meeting(s) Outside Regular Workhours & Noteworthy

- Selectboard Meeting
- Monthly Department Head Meetings
- KPAA Board of Directors Meeting
- KPAA Mixer at Mountain Meadows Lodge
- Board of Abatement Hearing
- Planning Commission Meeting
- Park and Recreation Committee Meeting
- Vermont Housing Foundation Association Training