



Selectboard Meeting Minutes Draft

June 26th, 2023

Present: Stephen Finneron, Chairman
Jim Haff
Chris Karr

Chet Hagenbarth, Town Manager

Attendees In-Person:

Whit Montgomery
Dave Koppock
Beth Sarandrea
Murray McGrath
Broc Haggett – KFR
Jax Elliott – KFR
Johnathen Mowery – KFR
Craig Bowman – KFR
Paul Stiles – KFR
Mark Foote – KFR
Simon Bullwinkel - KFR

Steve Finer
Andy Salamon + Nan Salamon
Mike Coppinger
Nicholas R.E. Lenahon – KFR
Nicholas J. Melottie - KFR
Mark Fiore – KFR
Joshua Pulmeri – KFR
Richard Bowman – KFR
Lori Stiles – KFR
Diena Jacunski – KFR

Attendees via Zoom:

Peggy Neisner
Curt Peterson
Gerry Russell

Katie Savage
Ely Kirschner
Patty McGrath

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes
4. Selectboard Member Concerns
5. Citizens Input
6. Board of Liquor Control
7. Fire Department Update
 - a. Roster
 - b. Asset Transfer Agreement
 - c. Search and Rescue Alignment

8. Public Safety and Killington Region Signs Proposals
9. Killington Forward – TIF – Update
10. Set Tax Rate
11. Current Expense Note Reallocation
12. Managers' Report
 - a. Department Updates
13. Citizens Input – Additional
14. Other Business
15. Executive Session (if necessary)
16. Adjourn

1. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.

2. Approval of the Agenda

A motion was made to approve the Agenda as presented. It was unanimously approved.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- SB Haff made a motion to approve the Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes of June 5th, 2023. It was unanimously approved.
- SB Finneron made a motion to approve the Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes of June 15th, 2023. It was unanimously approved.
- SB Finneron made a motion to approve the Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes of June 19th, 2023. It was unanimously approved.
- SB Finneron made a motion to approve the Special Selectboard Meeting Minutes of June 20th, 2023. It was unanimously approved.

4. Selectboard Member Concerns

The Selectboard discussed the need to determine approved staging zones for projects.

5. Citizens Input

- Nan Salamon asked about the Selectboard's process of hiring a new Town Manager without citizen's input. She also asked whether the Public Works Director would be funded through TIF funds. SB Haff responded that the past two Town Managers were hired without citizen's input. He also stated that the Public Works Director would initially be funded through TIF funds.
- Curt Peterson asked for clarification on the amended Agenda which now included Art. 11 (Current Expense Note Reallocation).

6. Board of Liquor Control

There was none.

7. Fire Department Update

a. Roster

As part of the transfer from the corporation to the Town, a roster has been created by the new Fire Chief, Paul Ginther.

b. Asset Transfer Agreement

- TM Hagenbarth stated the Asset Transfer Agreement was forwarded to the Fire Department Corporation last week. It included equipment mentioned in the original agreement as other items considered non-operation. TM Hagenbarth was awaiting further comment.
- The Selectboard reviewed an email sent by David Coppock from S.V.F.D. Inc which stated they would not offer supplies for the 4th of July celebration unless the Town offered them gear. The Town has instead rented a tent and other equipment as needed.

c. Search and Rescue Alignment

- TM Hagenbarth reviewed the Search and Rescue Alignment. He stated that typically Search and Rescue is supervised by the Police Department however, the Town had moved it under the Fire Department. TM Hagenbarth requested Search and Rescue be realigned under the Police Department.
- SB Haff made a motion for KSOR to be under the supervision of the Police Department. It was unanimously approved.

8. Public Safety and Killington Region Signs Proposals

- The Selectboard reviewed the final proposals and designs for the Public Safety Building sign, the Killington Region sign, the new Town Hall sign and the Amenity sign replacement.
- SB Haff made a motion to approve Public Safety Building and Killington Region sign designs. It was unanimously approved.

9. Killington Forward – TIF – Update

- TM Hagenbarth reviewed the Killington Forward – TIF updates. The Town received several bids for Phase 1 for the Killington Road from Route 4 to Anthony Way. The bid was on budget at \$2.6 million dollars.
- Following the recent proposals, the Town is around \$1 million dollars under budget for the TIF project.

10. Set Tax Rate

- TM Hagenbarth discussed the municipal tax rate. The Town must raise \$4,367,100 dollars and the Grand List was set at \$8,220,474 dollars. The tax rate was calculated to be 0.5444.
- SB Haff made a motion to set the tax rate at 0.5444. It was unanimously approved.

11. Current Expense Note Reallocation

TM Hagenbarth – last year the Town had taken out a \$2.2 million dollar expense note to take care of the TIF expenses and design work – Town has only used \$1.5 million dollars of it – Town will be funding that with a bond anticipation note – buying the affordable housing land on July 7th – needed 700,000 for that and needed 1.5 million for the current TIF note – 1.5 million dollars will be paid on July 28th

SB Haff made a motion for the current expense note of 1.5 million to replace the 2.2 million at 2.85 percent - unanimous

SB Haff made a motion for \$700,000 expense note at 4.4 percent

12. Managers' Report

a. Department Updates

- TM Hagenbarth received a call from Caterpillar stating that the grader that the Town requested had arrived. However, the Town had not planned to purchase a grader until a year from now due to supply chain delays. The Town will plan on holding off until the next grader arrives as it was not planned for so early in the budget.
- Rec Department camps are opened and have been filled
- Two members of the KPAA brought a proposal to the Town related to the Trails Brochure. Beth Sarandrea, President of KPAA and Michael Coppinger, Vice Chair of KPAA stated that the Town used to put together a hiking brochure which has not been produced since 2018. They stated there is still a demand and they are asking for help with the funding. SB Haff made a motion to approve for funding for 5,000 maps. It was unanimously approved.

13. Citizens Input – Additional

Patrick Cushing (?) asked if the TIF Public Works Director would eventually be funded under the general budget after TIF funds were finished. The Selectboard stated the position was not a temporary position and would eventually be incorporated into another budget.

Steve Finer asked whether the Town had received their portion of the bill for the Fire Department monument. TM Hagenbarth stated the Town had already paid their portion.

Andy (last name) asked about line painting. The Selectboard stated line painting will start soon but rainy weather delayed the process.

14. Other Business

There were none.

15. Executive Session (if necessary)

The Selectboard re-entered Executive Session at 7:28pm for personnel. They exited at 7:44pm. No action was taken.

16. Adjourn

The Meeting was called to adjournment at 7:45pm.