



## Selectboard Meeting Minutes

July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Present :        Stephen Finneron, Chairman  
                      Jim Haff  
                      Chris Karr

                      Chet Hagenbarth, Town Manager

### AGENDA:

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes
4. Selectboard Member Concerns
5. Citizen Input
6. Board of Liquor Control
7. TIF Approval Update and Next Steps
8. Search Committee – Fire Chief
9. Short Term Rental Update
10. Managers' Report
  - a. Driveway Permits
  - b. East Mountain Road Construction and Closures
  - c. Equipment
11. Citizens Input – Additional
12. Other Business
13. Executive Session – If necessary
14. Adjourn

#### **1. Call to Order**

The Meeting was called to order at 6:32pm.

#### **2. Approval of the Agenda**

The Selectboard discussed removing Art. 6 (Board of Liquor Control) as there was nothing to present. All other items will be moved up an article. A motion was made to approve the Agenda as amended. It was unanimously approved.

### **3. Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- SB Haff made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of June 23<sup>rd</sup>. It was unanimously approved.
- SB Haff made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of June 24<sup>th</sup> with the tax rate amended to 0.5436. It was unanimously approved.

### **4. Selectboard Member Concerns**

SB Haff reported that the Town sign on Route 100 is leaning. TM Hagenbarth stated it was an issue with the sign itself and not its supports. The Town has ordered a new sign. SB Haff also reported that 20 streetlights are out on Killington Road.

### **5. Citizen Input**

Citizen Ely Kirschner stated the road lines on Killington Road are not well marked. TM Hagenbarth reported the Town is waiting to hear back from the line striping company about redoing the road markings.

### **6. TIF Approval Update and Next Steps**

TM Hagenbarth reported that the Town's Master TIF was approved on June 30<sup>th</sup> so there is a financial mechanism in place to do the future infrastructure projects. The Town estimated the TIF district will bring in \$285 million dollars' worth of taxable value to the Grand List. SB Haff clarified that this is a financial mechanism which allows the Town to make an agreement with developers to work out some of the financial risk. This is not a financial mechanism for the Selectboard or Town to move ahead with the infrastructure project. The Town is in conversation for contracts.

### **7. Search Committee – Fire Chief**

TM Hagenbarth has received interest from 3 citizens for the Search Committee. The Selectboard will decide who will be included in Executive Session.

### **8. Short Term Rental Update**

SB Haff reported the Town was preparing for September when they would accept new registrations for the upcoming year. There will be an increase in the registration rate. The Selectboard will announce the new rate in August. There are just about 600 current short-term rental registrations.

### **9. Managers' Report**

#### **a. Driveway Permits**

- The Selectboard discussed a request for a temporary driveway permit on Barrows Town Road related to a project on a property owner's property that is hard to access. TM Hagenbarth stated he would like to add a condition that the 2<sup>nd</sup> temporary driveway would have to be dismantled before a CO could be received. SB Haff made a motion for the Town to move forward with this Driveway Permit. It was unanimously accepted.

- The Selectboard discussed a request for a new driveway permit on Anthony Way for In Stone Design. TM Hagenbarth is concerned that the request may modify water drainage and has the potential to create a drainage problem further down the road. The Town will examine this request further.
- The Selectboard discussed a request for a new driveway permit on Ives Road. The property owner would like to change the location of the original driveway. SB Haff suggested a condition that the old driveway must be closed within 30 days of the new driveway being finished. A motion was made to accept this Driveway Permit. It was unanimously accepted.

**b. East Mountain Road Construction and Closures**

TM Hagenbarth reported the Town will be paving and doing ditch work on East Mountain Road. Due to the nature of the work, there will be intermittent closures to thru traffic from the last week of July to August 15. The Selectboard discussed the best ways to properly notify the public including signage and MailChimp notifications to residents.

**c. Equipment**

The new mower will be delivered to the Town in the next week. It will be used immediately.

**10. Citizens Input – Additional**

Citizen Ely Kirschner commented that he did not know about the need for Driveway Permits and that there was likely a need to educate other citizens. SB Haff mentioned that an article on permits was published in the Mountain Times and the Town would publish the same article on their website.

**11. Other Business**

There was none.

**12. Executive Session – If necessary**

- SB Haff made a motion to go into Executive Session at 6:59pm for personnel. They exited at 7:26pm. The Selectboard announced TM Hagenbarth and SB Finneron will facilitate the Search Committee for the Fire Chief but they will not have a vote. The 3-person committee will include Tom Rock, representing the Fire Department, and Barry Leete and Jim Lewis, representing the Town Citizens.
- SB Haff made a motion to go into Executive Session for contracts at 7:28pm. They exited at 8:13pm. No action was taken.

**13. Adjourn**

The Meeting was called to adjournment at 8:13pm.