



Selectboard Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Present: Steve Finneron, Chairman
Jim Haff
Chuck Claffey

Chet Hagenbarth, Town Manager

Citizens: Ken Wonsor
Flora Dewar
Julia Benley-Wells
Kate Wettergreen
Mike Militi
Forrest Hammond
Alison Schwartz
James Rich
David Bowyer
Roger Rivera
Katy Savage, Mountain Times

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of the Agenda
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2019 and October 24, 2019
4. Selectboard Member Concerns
5. Citizen Input
6. Bear Conflicts – UVM Student Presentation
7. The Chateaugay Forest Project – Letter of Support for Grant Application
8. GMNGC
 - a) October Financials
 - b) 2020/2021 Budget
9. Town
 - a) October Financials
 - b) Treasurers' Report
10. Budget Review
 - a) Capital Budget
 - b) Debt Service

- c) Revenue Budget
- d) Preliminary Tax Implications
- 11. Managers' Report
 - a) Lister Corrections
 - b) Driveway Permits
 - c) FEMA Determination
 - d) Department Updates
- 12. Board of Liquor Control
- 13. Other Business
- 14. Executive Session, if necessary
- 15. Adjourn

1. Call to Order

CH Finneron called the Meeting to Order at 6:30 pm

2. Approval of the Agenda

A motion to approve the Agenda as presented was UNANIMOUS.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2019 and October 24, 2019

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2019 as presented, UNANIMOUS.

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2019 after a short explanation on behalf of CH Finneron, UNANIMOUS.

4. Selectboard Member Concerns

There were no Selectboard Member concerns.

5. Citizen Input

There was none.

6. Bear Conflicts – UVM Student Presentation

University of Vermont students from the Rubenstein School of Environment & Natural Resources working on their Capstone Project alongside Katy Gieder of Vermont Fish & Wildlife, gave a short presentation to the Selectboard regarding addressing "Bear Conflict" in Killington. Their surveys and reports have produced online materials and a pamphlet helping to create awareness, advice and resources in dealing with negative interaction with bears. Casella Waste Systems had shown a compelling interest in their results and the Town Selectboard agreed to assist in the distribution of the student media.

7. The Chateauguay Forest Project – Letter of Support for Grant Application

A motion to sign a letter of support for the Chateauguay Forest Project for their grant application to the State of Vermont was approved, UNANIMOUS.

8. GMNGC

a) October Financials

Expenses were down \$40-\$50k on this time last year. TM Hagenbarth advised the Board that a \$31k owed to the Golf Course by the Town should in fact be reimbursed, rather than reducing the debt to the Town by GMNGC, to enable GMNGC to repay their \$250k note due December 10, 2019 without completely depleting their cash flow. Sales tax in the amount of \$7k were still owed to GMNGC from the State of Vermont.

- b) 2020/2021 Budget
There had been a 3% increase in revenue this year so projections were geared more to maintaining than increasing. In general, GMNGC were taking care of their own debts more and more.

9. Town

- a) October Financials
Everything was going to plan and on Target. TM Hagenbarth was confident there would be no short-term borrowing this summer.
- b) Treasurers' Report
A motion to approve the Treasurers' Report with a minor language adjustment was approved, UNANIMOUS.

10. Budget Review

- a) Capital Budget
The capital budget is operating as planned and staying within the sustainable funding plan.
- b) Debt Service
As a result of interest only payments due in 2021 and the refinance of the \$2.53M golf debt at no expense to the Town, it allows Reserve Funds to pay down the Golf Bond before refinancing.

Board Member Haff reiterated prioritizing generator(s) for the Town Garage before the onset of winter to facilitate the Highway employees, as discussed earlier in the year.
- c) Revenue Budget
It was agreed the Solid Waster Transfer Station Commercial prices should be reviewed for updates.
- d) Preliminary Tax Implications
TM Hagenbarth would still need to finalize numbers before committing to tax implications, however assured Board Members everything was right in line or slightly improved per last years budget estimates.

11. Managers' Report

- a) Lister Corrections
A motion to approve Lister Corrections for errors & omissions for VTels' personal property assessment was approved, UNANIMOUS.

Lister Corrections for Santa Fe Steakhouse, Red Clover Tattoo and Amazing homes were tabled requesting further information by the Board.
- b) Driveway Permits
A motion to approve a driveway permit for Johnson on Overbrook Drive in Robinwood, was approved UNANIMOUS.

A motion to approve a driveway permit for Namkung on East Mountain Road, was approved UNANIMOUS.

- c) FEMA Determination
The Town would be required to repay \$137k only of the \$259k previously awarded for hurricane Irene recompense as determined by FEMA.
- d) Department Updates
There were no major issues to report.

Board Member Haff had received citizen inquiry regarding golf carts and ATV's on the Killington Road and requested that it become an Agenda item sometime in the near future.

12. Board of Liquor Control

A motion that the Town Clerk move forward with an application for a festival permit for the Vermont Brewers Association for a beer tasting festival in March of 2020; approved UNANIMOUS.

A motion that the Town Clerk continue to move forward with an application of an outside consumption permit for Killington Restaurants Inc dba Killington Base Lodge for the FIS World Cup November 29th through December 1st, 2019; approved UNANIMOUS.

13. Other Business

The repairs to the lights on Killington Road were being worked on and had hoped to be in full working order in time for the FIS World Cup event.

Foundations were getting ready to being poured for the KPSB. The project is currently within budget and has an expected completion date of July 31st, 2020.

14. Executive Session, if necessary

Executive session was not deemed necessary.

15. Adjourn

The meeting was called to adjournment at 8:10 pm.