

MINUTES FOR SELECTBOARD MEETING

Tuesday, May 25, 2021

Note to public: Select Board meetings will be held in person beginning May 25, 2021 at the Robert Vasseur Town Hall. Distancing will be in place. Mask for any unvaccinated people will be required.

Attendees

Select Board Members: Jared Cadwell (Jared), Chuck Martel (Chuck), Mike Jordan (Mike)

SB Assistant/Town Clerk: Patti Lewis (Patti)

Minute Taker: Betsy Carter (Betsy)

Guests: Brad Belknap, Tony Colicchio (via zoom), Mark Gibson, Ky Koitzsch, Lisa Koitzsch, Stuart Hallstrom

1. **Meeting called to order at 5:00pm.**
2. **Approve Select Board Minutes of May 11, 2021**
 - a. *Motion to approve minutes by Chuck, seconded by Mike. All in favor, none opposed; minutes from May 11, 2021 are approved.*
3. **FCC re: McCullough Barn (Ky and Lisa)**
 - a. McCullough (Chase Brook Forest) Barn is infested with powder post beetles. The beetles bore into the wood.
 - b. Treatment options explored.
 - i. Discussed with both Central VT Pest Control and Mulligan Pest Control. Both made same recommendations.
 - ii. Barn needs to be thoroughly cleaned.
 - iii. Spray pesticide on interior and exterior; water-based pesticide will be used and is fully effective 24 hours after application.
 - iv. Boricare recommended to seal timbers 2 weeks post pesticide treatment to prevent further infestation.
 - v. Perimeter treatment also recommended.
 - vi. Pesticide treatment for interior and exterior application is \$400. This does not include sealant. Sealant can be applied by others.
 - vii. Alternative sealer (linseed oil or others) will provide enough seal.
 - viii. Recommended application in June during most active time for the beetles.
 - ix. Will public be notified? Signage on property and potential post in Front Porch Forum informing the public not to enter building until treatment had dried. The treatment dries fast (less than 24 hours).
 - x. Who will apply sealant? Mulligan will not apply the sealant. With the difference in quotes, likely can hire someone to spray sealant.
4. **Brad Belknap: Upgrades to Belknap Camp Rd**
 - a. Roadway improvements from town gravel pit to Belknap camp.
 - b. No set plan, but in next few years Brad would like to make road more accessible/ maintainable during winter.
 - c. There are water bars all along and make slightly wider to accommodate pull offs.
 - d. Jared: is this a class 4 road? Brad: it is up to Steve Lindsey's driveway.
 - e. No planned work this summer other than some grading and smoothing out water bars.
 - f. Jared: We should get clear on the town boundaries; Stuart: Pretty sure the right of way goes right up to his lawn.

- g. Brad will meet at site with Stuart and members of the Selectboard in near future to further determine what the Selectboard will allow.

5. Gibson and Colicchio Curb Cut Application

- a. Mark: Nothing new beyond what was discussed.
- b. Tony & Stuart had detailed conversation regarding the culvert placement versus driveway position. The town culvert will shift slightly uphill about 2 ft. The driveway location will remain unchanged.
- c. Jared: At the curb cut entrance, do we need a culvert? Stuart: no. Jared: Within the town right of way, we're taking care of it with the 50' culvert? Stuart: yes.
- d. Stuart: Existing culvert will be replaced with a 50' long and 24" culvert. Jared: We've discussed this with the state extensively is that bigger culverts are needed; the volume of water isn't changing.
- e. Tony: Is there any waiver from the state to use a smaller (15") culvert? Jared: It's not the state practice, but rather a town action that the state reviews every year. The SB, AOT, and Fayston Road Foreman have driven around to evaluate the culvert placements and sizes.
- f. Mark: So if we have to extend the culvert, it has to be same size? Stuart: yes, you have to extend with a 24" culvert.
- g. Mark: So Tony, your driveway can't be built until the new culvert installed? Tony: I have a temporary access being built, so I have accommodations before the culvert replacement.
- h. Jared: We can approve the curb cut but can't guarantee the replacement of the town culvert due to the timing of everything else in play.
- i. *Motion to approve the CC access permit by Mike, seconded by Chuck. No further discussion, all in favor, none opposed; motion passes.*

6. Road Foreman Update

- a. North Fayston road prep and ditching.

7. Liquor and/or Excess Weight Permits

- b. Hyde Away Catering Permit for GMVS for June 4
- c. McElwain Contracting Excess Weight Permit

8. ARPA Authorized Representative Appointment

- a. How to disperse ARPA funds and set-up for town to receive funds. Town needs an authorized representative to receive funds.
- b. Jared nominates Patti, Town Treasurer, as the authorized representative, seconded by Mike. Motion approved.

9. Read Mail and Sign Warrant

- a. American Recovery Act guidelines beginning to be published.
 - i. SB + Town Treasurer should meet to fully understand guidelines for how the money can be spent.
 - ii. SB would like input and consultation with Town members on how money should be spent.
 - iii. Patti, Treasurer, recommends a separate account for detailed tracking of the funds.
- b. Warrant to be signed.

10. Other Business:

- a. A/V technology used for meetings; should the Town invest in something more effective for audio/visual to allow for ongoing Zoom meetings to allow for further Town participation. Waitsfield is using the "Owl" technology.
 - i. Mike spoke with David Frank on acoustics plan to improve sound.
- a. Still no authorization to spend money from AOT grant to start the paving.
- b. Next Boyce Hill Town Forest workshop on June 9 at 7pm via Zoom. Prior workshops have been very well attended.

- c. Gravel pit analysis: Mike will get proposal from Eric Schweich for engineering work; anticipated site visit in July.

11. Motion to adjourn at 5:51 by Chuck. Mike seconded. Motion Passes.

Respectfully submitted,
Betsy Carter

Approved: Jared Cadwell