

MINUTES FOR SELECT BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Robert Vasseur Town Hall

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: Don Siminoni, Andres Torizzo, Tony Italiano

1. Meeting called to order at 6:01pm.
2. Changes or Additions to the Agenda
 - a. Signage for Big Basin Road.
 - b. David Frank update on Energy Efficiency work in Fayston Municipal building.
3. Approve Select Board Minutes of September 28, 2021
 - a. *Motion to approve the Select Board minutes of September 28, 2021 by Chuck, seconded by Mike. All in favor, none opposed. Minutes approved.*
4. Road Foreman Update
 - a. 1st Phase of North Fayston Road paving and shoulder work complete. Second phase in spring 2022 (final topcoat). Marking requested prior to winter.
 - b. Crusher is at the gravel pit for a week to 10 days.
5. Don Siminoni re: Trash Ordinance
 - a. Concerns with trash visibility in town.
 - b. No explicit statement in LUR regarding trash; there's an ordinance regarding old cars, but nothing regarding dumpsters.
 - c. There has been enforcement of unsightly structures; larger structures (i.e. shipping container) must be permitted.
 - d. Would it be of interest if me (Don) and other townspeople create a draft ordinance of how to deal with trash and visibility of trash containers in the future?
 - i. Mike: The primary concern is where do you draw the line? Do totes for weekly pickup need to be screened?
 - ii. Jared: Is the problem significant enough that the town needs to consider an ordinance? The examples you cited were not in Fayston. Our capacity to regulate something like that is limited.
 - iii. Chuck: The only other time I can remember issues were with renters on North Fayston road using the dumpster which in turn caused bear issues. The town contacted the landlord/owner and the issue was resolved.
 - e. Don: What makes me think of this is the prevalence of short-term rentals.
 - i. Jared: You've raised our attention and now we'll be watching, but there appear to be isolated incidents; the individual problems have been addressed and I don't know that it requires an ordinance.

- f. No further action at this time.
6. Corrie Miller re : Road Stormwater Projects
- a. Andres Torizzo on behalf of Friends of the Mad River.
 - b. Watershed Consulting were contacted by the planning commission to complete a master plan for the town inclusive of stormwater improvement projects.
 - i. After the master plan was created, Friends of Mad River took the projects to 30% design level. Funding was secured to fulfill project design to 100%.
 - ii. 60% level plans presented for feedback/review in order to produce final plans by end of month.
 - c. Project 1: Intersection of Murphy Road & Center Fayston Road.
 - i. Project would divert runoff coming off Center Fayston Road with a culvert and divert to sediment trap. Water would discharge under Murphy Road into the river on the opposite side of Murphy Road.
 - ii. Long term maintenance requirements: sediment would need to be removed when trap is full. Trap/outlet should be checked at least 2 times annually to ensure correct operation.
 - iii. Questions:
 - 1. Chuck: Removing the sediment is just taking a backhoe and removing sediment? Andres: Correct.
 - 2. Mike: How will this impact the VAST trail that passes through the area? Andres: (pointing on screen) There would need to be some grading improvement in the area. The corner of the basin will need to be adjusted to reduce interference in that area.
 - 3. Mike: We historically have a trouble area just to the north where water goes into a house and the driveway? Andres: It would help as the stormwater that flows into that area will be diverted into the trap area.
 - 4. Andres: The road is very wide at that intersection, but it is encroaching on the river; it may make sense to pull the road back a little bit and vegetate the area.
 - 5. Jared: Is there any kind of filtration or is it a straight drain collection to Shepherd's Brook? Andres: It's just a drain.
 - 6. Jared: You had mentioned pulling the apron on Murphy Road; have you taken a close look at Center Fayston Road to determine if that should be graded differently to improve runoff? Andres: We only looked at Murphy Road.
 - d. Project 2: Mansfield Road
 - i. There's some erosion and water issues from Mansfield Road, under Stark Mountain Road, and then into an existing stream.

- ii. The plan would be to move the centerline of the swale without impacting the road width. There's erosion at the top of the ditch and we would fill in the ditch a little bit
 - iii. The second section would add a similar sediment trap; this acts as a relief valve for the water that flows down Mansfield Road.
 - iv. No additional water added to current flow, just adding a relieve valve for the water coming down the road.
 - e. Project 3: Intersection of Center Fayston & North Fayston Roads
 - i. Proposing a trap within the ditch line and replacing the pipe currently at Center Fayston Road.
 - ii. Currently a culvert in "triangle" of intersection; we're proposing regrading and adding some stone to the area to provide some protection and open up the drainage flow. The culvert is almost blocked.
 - iii. Questions:
 - 1. Patti: Is that "triangle" privately owned? We would have to work with the owner. Mike: We own the culvert. Andres: Some of this would be working within the right of way, but there will have to be some discussions with landowners in the area.
 - 2. Jared: On all these projects if we get to the production time, are we looking at the town to negotiate with private land owners if the town right of ways aren't sufficient to contain the new construction? Andres: Yes, I believe that would be the case.
 - f. Jared: So, the next steps are to revise and finalize the plan? Andres: Yes, we'd finalize the design and provide a cost estimate along with maintenance plan. I was going to ask about if the town wanted to pursue these, would the town construct them or bid them out? This impacts how we'd build the plans, but we'd like to confirmation. Jared: I think this is well within the town's capability but completing this on top of everything else we must complete would be challenging.
 - g. Mike: It would be good to finalize this within the timeframe so that if the town is going to do the work, we can budget for next year.
7. Other Business:
- a. Big Basin Signage completion.
 - i. Patti has researched various options for sign design for "no parking" signs.
 - ii. Verbiage needs to be determined.
 - 1. "No parking in front of gate."
 - 2. "Violators will be towed."
 - iii. Patti to finalize text and review with Select Board.
 - b. Grant for town office efficiency improvements; David Frank quote
 - i. Replace existing water heater, replace florescent lighting in community room.
 - ii. Total project price estimated at \$4,191.00

8. Read Mail and Sign Warrant

a. No mail.

9. *Motion to adjourn at 7:03 by Chuck, seconded by Mike. All in favor, none opposed, motion passes.*

Dates of Interest:

October 26, 2021 Next Select Board Meeting 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Carter

Approved: Jared Cadwell