Minutes of the Selectboard Meeting
Town of Fayston, Vermont
Tuesday, August 12th, 2025, 6:00 pm
At Robert Vasseur Town Hall

Attendees:
Select Board Members: Chuck Martel (Chuck), Ron Graves (Ron), Michael Jordan (Mike)
Town Clerk /Selectboard Assistant: Madi Vasseur
Minutes Taker: Eve Silverman (by recording)
Guests: MRVTV, Judy Gates, Maya Sutton- Smith, Sam Jackson

Chuck called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

1. **Approve Selectboard Meeting Minutes – July 22nd, 2025**

   Mike moved to approve the minutes. Ron seconded; all in favor, motion carried, minutes approved.

2. **Additions/Deletions to Agenda:** Meeting Minutes from executive sessions/interviews of 8/5, 8/6, 8/8

3. **Public Comments**: None

4. **Judy Gates – 1245 Center Fayston Road**

   Judi's well is in the town right of way. Judi stated that previously, the road was narrower and not as close to the spring house; when digging the road recently, the road became wider and the ditch was moved further north. With the digging on both sides of the spring house, the blue board on her water line was broken. Judi expressed her concern and requested that the ditch be moved back to its original location. Chuck suggested a site visit to talk through possible solutions. A site visit was scheduled for Thursday, 8/14/25 at 4pm.

5. **Sam Jackson – GMVS Adventure Event**

   This is an orientation running, bicycle and hiking event for students scheduled for 9/12/25; it starts on the GMVS campus, goes over the Lincoln Gap to Jerusalem, then back over to Fayston, via bike trails to Center Fayston, on Sharpshooter, past sand pits, back to Valley floor, over Moretown gap, and back through Waitsfield gap and to campus. The students will ride in teams, and the event will be done in one day. The students' locations are tracked using beacons.

   Ron asked that the students stay on one side of the road. Mike asked that there be signage posted, posts on Front Porch Forum and on mail chip to inform the public of the event in advance.

6. **Dog Ordinance**

   The Board has received some letters regarding recent situations involving Karen Winholds dog (unregistered) on North Fayston Road. Maya Sutton- Smith stated that she was attacked twice by this dog and had contacted the dog warden, who spoke to the owner. Mike stated that he also called the

owner who stated that the dog would only be leashed outside. Maya stated that she runs on the road most days, and many days the dog is not out, but she always must be on guard in case it is. She was in direct contact with the owner after one of the attacks, who suggested that she text her every time she planned to leave for a run, but Maya did not feel this was appropriate.

Chuck stated that the Fayston dog ordinance states that a dog must always be under control. Maya also quoted the ordinance that states no dog may be allowed to be "at large". She noted that a hearing is the consequence of violations of the ordinance. Board stated that this meeting was that hearing, as the owner had been invited to it (though they did not show up). Mike stated that they will draft a letter that states that if a problem happens again, the dog will be confiscated.

Chuck moved that the Board draft such a letter; Mike seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

7. Liquor License and Catering Permits

Two catering permits from Sugarbush on 8/26 and 9/2

Chuck moved to give Madi permission to sign the permits, Mike seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

8. Other Business

Approve meeting minutes of executive sessions of 8/5, 8/6 and 8/8 (interviewing candidates for road crew).

Chuck moved to accept these three minutes; Ron seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

9. Read Mail and Sign Warrant (no mail)

10. Adjourn

At 6:41pm, Mike made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ron seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,

Eve Silverman

Approved: Chuck Martel Date: