



MINUTES
Tues., June 15th 2021
Select Board Meeting – 12:00PM
In-Person - Select Board members
Virtual – public participation

Meeting called to Order at 5:02PM, by Bettina Schmidt

Select Board Members in attendance: Bettina Schmidt, Clelland Johnson, James Whalen

Others in attendance: Stacy Stout (Town Admin); Chris McCooe, Dawn Kamay, Bob Kamay, Andy Harhay

1. Approval of outstanding Minutes – deferred until next meeting

Motion061501: Motion made by Ms. Schmidt to defer review of minutes until next meeting, 2nd by Mr. Johnson; Roll call vote: Ms. Schmidt – Yes, Mr. Johnson – Yes, Mr. Whalen - Yes

2. PVPC Town Owner Agreement – 23 Long Hill Rd., Holland

Motion061502: Motion made by Mr. Whalen to approve Housing Rehab grant loan for \$27,500 for 23 Long Hill Rd., Holland; 2nd by Mr. Johnson; Roll call vote: Ms. Schmidt – Yes, Mr. Johnson – Yes, Mr. Whalen - Yes

3. Aqua Riders 2021 season request for exemptions - Letter read aloud by Ms. Schmidt

Motion061503: Motion made by Mr. Johnson to approve request from Holland Aqua Riders for exemptions as outlined in letter; Motion Amended by Mr. Whalen to put an explicit reminder on the limits of their exemption; Motion so amended; 2nd by Mr. Johnson; Roll call vote: Ms. Schmidt – Yes, Mr. Johnson – Yes, Mr. Whalen - Yes

4. Council on Aging reappointments

Motion061504: Motion made by Mr. Johnson to appoint reappointments of John Senseman and Robin Wilson to the Council on Aging; 2nd by Mr. Whalen; Roll call vote: Ms. Schmidt – Yes, Mr. Johnson – Yes, Mr. Whalen - Yes

5. Conservation Agent contract – as per Annual Town Meeting, June 25, 2021 Article 24

Motion061505: Motion made by Mr. Johnson to approve contract appointment for Conservation Agent Consultant George Russell; 2nd by Mr. Whalen; Roll call vote: Ms. Schmidt – Yes, Mr. Johnson – Yes, Mr. Whalen - Yes

6. Lake Weed Treatment RFQ – renewal contract for FY22; Bob Kamay from HRA gave summary of questions he had asked vendor: before deciding on use of Prosellecor; Town approved use of Prosellecor in FY21; effectiveness is not yet known; Vendor offered a 6-month contract effective 7/1/2021 for treatments that would occur from July through end of 2021; this will allow Town/LOC to decide at a later date how to treat the milfoil in 2022; post-treatment survey will be done next spring; vendor has indicated this will be enough time to enter new contract for 2022

Actions: Bob Kamay to send Town Administrator the information from the vendor; Town Administrator to send copy of the original proposal to Mr. Whalen in meantime as he was not on original distribution

7. Dam

- a. Inspection status – Highway Dept has done some clearing of spillway; Town Administrator and Ms. Schmidt to follow up with Highway on some additional clearing that may be needed; including phragmites that need to be cleared
- b. Operations & Maintenance Manual status – none exists (Town Administrator to look into funding for this); Mr. Johnson has updated the Emergency Action Plan (EAP); it will be distributed once all contact info has been verified

8. Sichol property update

- a. State grant funding was set to expire June 30, 2021; State is extending the expiration; other towns are facing same challenges with needed funds extended due to delayed Land Court proceedings; Federal grant funds have already been extended
- b. Closing Date is still TBD due to new abutters easement form and a minor adjustment in acreage that needs to be corrected in documents; there is a squatter on the property who is aware that he will need to vacate

9. **1 Leno Road update** – this has been an on-going topic; owner has concerns regarding flooding; Mr. C.Johnson has spoken to her; Mr. B Johnson/highway has also spoken with her and been to the property multiple times; at 1st July Select Board meeting, Mr. B Johnson will share his findings with Select Board

10. Grant Writer position

- a. current grant writer is not renewing his contract
- b. Select Board will discuss strategy and master plan and re-define grant writer position description accordingly; this will be a topic for 2nd July Select Board meeting

Ms. Schmidt raised that Select Board also needs to discuss getting Cable Commission back up and running
Action: Town Administrator to speak with Simone LaPlante, Member, to get her input

11. Administrative Assistant applications

- a. Position approved at Annual Town Meeting May 26, 2021
- b. Position was posted 5/27/21; Close date 6/15/2021
- c. 2 applications received – both are current town employees; need to get financial impact numbers from Treasurer if this would result in full time position
- d. Town Administrator to forward resumes and letters of application to Select Board and information from Treasurer

Ms. Schmidt raised a topic for awareness and future discussion: Computer Compact Grant and collaboration with Tantasqua & Union 61 school districts on fiber optics project

Motion to close meeting at 5:38PM made by Ms. Schmidt; 2nd by Mr. Johnson; All in favor – Yes, Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Stacy Stout, Town Administrator