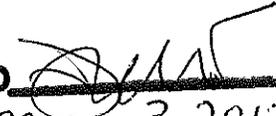


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Town of Huntington
Selectboard Meeting
April 2, 2012
Town Office, Downstairs

MINUTES

- Selectboard Members Present:** Jim Christiansen, Chair; Dori Barton, Vice Chair;
Roman Livak; Doug Graver; Everett Lewis, Jr.;
- Staff Present:** Hank Lambert, Interim Town Administrator;
Heidi Racht, Town Clerk;
- Others Present:** Heidi Weston; Ginger Lubkowitz, Planning Commission;
Ruth Blodgett, Times Ink!

Call to Order Jim Christiansen called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Minutes Livak moved and Lewis seconded to accept the minutes of March 19, 2012 as presented. Unanimously approved.

Warrants The Selectboard signed three warrants.

Public Comment

Permission to use Right-of-Way Heidi Weston requested permission to lay telephone and electric cables in the town highway right-of-way a distance of 70 feet to her building lot at 50 Mayo Road. Motion by Barton, seconded by Livak to grant permission for construction in the town right-of-way with the condition that construction include encasing the cables in conduit buried a distance recommended by the utility companies, and that the Interim Town Administrator send a letter to Weston affirming the action by the Selectboard and stating the conditions. Unanimously approved.

Town Plan Re-adoption Ginger Lubkowitz, Co-Chair of Town Planning Commission, updated the Board on the process for re-adopting the Town Plan. Hearing by the Planning Commission is set for May 2 for re-adoption with no changes. The plan needs Selectboard approval by June 18 and the Selectboard needs to send a warning to the Planning Commission by May 10.

Motion by Graver, seconded by Barton that the Selectboard warn a hearing for June 18 for re-adoption of the Town Plan. 4 voted yea, Livak abstained, and the motion was approved.

Highway Department

Purchase of Plow Truck The Board suggested waiting until June 1 for setting this up, when Yogi Alger, Road Foreman, is scheduled to return to work. Lambert confirmed that Alger's physician said not to return to work for two months.

Delinquent Tax Collection Christiansen said he had talked with Dan Stoddard, Town Treasurer, about a possible tax sale by Brent Lamoureux, Delinquent Tax Collector. The question is whether there is enough revenue to justify a sale. The Board directed Lambert to e-mail Lamoureux for his thoughts about a tax sale and ask his availability to meet with the Board on April 16 with details.

Administration

Library Storage Space Lambert reported that the Library Board of Trustees met last week and approved storage space in the Library for town records pending approval by the State Fire Marshall.

Main Road Speed Study The Board reviewed the December 2009 Main Road Speed Study and its recommendations. It was agreed that the Town should move ahead on the speed recommendations and address other traffic calming considerations at a later date. Motion by Lewis, seconded by Livak to warn a public hearing, possibly for May 7, to receive comments on changes to speed limits on Main Road. Approved unanimously.

Exterior Repairs to Town Office Building Livak updated the Board. Local zoning permit is in hand. Livak will work with Lambert to develop a simple request for proposal to be distributed to local contractors. Graver asked if the project is in the same realm as originally envisioned. Christiansen stated that the main change is for increasing the level of insulation around the vault.

Waiving of Zoning and Recording Fees Racht said it has been customary for the Town to waive zoning and recording fees for people rebuilding after a fire loss. Motion by Livak, seconded by Graver, to waive the zoning and recording fees for David Smith following his recent loss by fire on Weaver Road. Unanimously approved.

Noise Complaint Lambert reported receipt of a written noise complaint submitted by Paul Dannenburg, neighbor to James Martin of 380 Delfrate Road. Lambert was directed to send a copy of the complaint to Mr. Martin asking for his response.

MS Bike Ride The Green Mountain Getaway MS Bike Ride fundraiser scheduled for August 11 & 12, 2012 proposes to use Main Road as part of its 150-mile ride. They are asking for permission to use the Town's public road. Motion by Graver, seconded by Livak, to approve the request pending submission of their plan for traffic control and submission of a certificate of additional insured. Unanimously approved.

Surplus Excavator Lambert reported that the surplus John Deere excavator has arrived at the VTrans State Garage on the Barre-Montpelier Road. Lewis volunteered to inspect the machine. The Board directed Lambert to inquire if a John Deere technician could accompany Lewis to inspect the excavator before actual commitment at the Selectboard meeting of April 16.

Board Organization The Board signed two resolutions on actions it took on March 19 regarding 1) regular meeting schedule and 2) election of Chair and Vice-Chair.

Motion by Livak, seconded by Lewis, to approve and sign a resolution appointing the Selectboard Chair and Vice Chair as special warrant signatories to sign warrants between regularly scheduled meetings as necessary. Unanimously approved.

Motion by Livak, Seconded by Lewis, to approve and sign a two-page *Town of Huntington Selectboard Rules of Procedure*. Unanimously approved.

Executive Session Motion by Livak, seconded by Barton, to go into executive session at 8:50 pm to discuss Town Administrator selection process. Unanimously approved.

At 9:24 pm, Livak moved, seconded by Lewis that the Selectboard come out of executive session. Unanimously approved. It was agreed that the Board would meet on Thursday evening, April 5, to interview two finalists for the position of Town Administrator, one at 6 pm and the other at 7:30 pm.

Adjournment Livak moved and Lewis moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 p.m. Approved unanimously.

Dates

Unapproved minutes sent to Selectboard: April 3, 2012

Minutes Approved: April 16, 2012

Approved minutes sent to Town Clerk for Record: May 03, 2012