

**TOWN OF DERBY, VERMONT
SELECT BOARD MEETING**

**Minutes
August 28, 2017**

Present: Brian Smith, Beula Shattuck, Grant Spates, Perry Hunt, Josh Provost.

Others: Adam Guyette, Paul Stuart, David Ingram, Robert Cowles, Darren Elwell, Tom Cyr, Maryann Tetreault, Jason Dukette, Scott Boskind, Ed Duncan, Lisa Duncan, Linn Elko, Robin Smith, Joseph Gresser, Rod Lyon, Joe Profera, Bob Kelley.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M.

Warrants #18A in the amount of \$18,415.20, and #18B in the amount of \$133,122.64 were signed.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Beula moved to approve the minutes of August 14, 2017, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Robin Smith commented that it is difficult seeing when exiting Kinney Drugs. The road shoulder needs to be mowed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cross Walk Funding – Scott Boskind – The Board had promised to help the NCUJHS in the cost of installing the cross walk in front of the school. Perry moved to give the school \$600 to help pay for the cross walk, with Josh seconding. Unanimous.

Delinquent Taxes – Tax Sale Properties – Delinquent tax collector Maryann Tetreault asked for the board's guidance on how to deal with 3 properties with delinquent taxes. No one seems willing to pay the back taxes to get the properties. The Mayo property (PIN# RT105076K7T) owes more than \$18,000 in delinquent taxes, interest and penalties. The Loukes property (PIN# ELMST015A5T06) is at \$2,375 and the Frascoia property (PIN# ELMST015A5T07) is at \$1,280. Josh moved to accept a minimum bid of \$5,000 for the Mayo property PIN# RT105076K7T at the next tax sale on September 22, 2017, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

Brian moved to not accept any bid lower than the amount owed for both the Loukes and Frascoia properties, with Perry seconding. Unanimous.

Discussion Tranquility Trail & Jambash Peak – Both Tranquility Trail and Jambash Peak are private roads and the owners along both roads have requested that the town take them over. It was explained that the roads would have to be up to town specification before the town would consider the request. A 50 ft right of way is required with an appropriate turnaround at the end, all culverts would have to be the proper size, the proper gravel base is needed, etc... Perry and Rod will look at the roads and let them know what would be needed to bring them up to Town specifications. Bob will email the people along the road a copy of the Town's Road and Bridge Standards.

Preliminary Discussion – Tennis Courts – The courts will need to be totally rebuilt in the next few years and it is expected to cost close to \$200,000. Grant had spoken with Scott Boskind to see if NCUJHS would be willing to help with the expense since they use the courts for various classes. Scott brought it up at a board meeting and it was not met with a positive response. He suggested that the Town get on the school board's agenda to discuss it in greater detail.

Update on FLAP – Eagle Point & Johns River Bridges – The agreement with the feds has still not been signed. The State will allow the projects to be lump sum bids. The 2 bridges will be bid separately one week apart with the hopes that this will get us the most competitive bids. We are still hoping to be able to install the Eagle Point bypass this fall. As a backup Bob is working

with Shane Morin for funding to put a temporary bridge over the existing culvert. Tim Ruggles is working on an updated cost on the design engineering so that we can amend our State grant.

Town Garage Renovations – Roof & Expansion – It was decided to use Roger Damon for the engineering of the garage expansion needed to accommodate the larger trucks with plows. Grant will send Bob the contact information. The roof is leaking around screws in the metal roof. Larger screws and washers need to be installed.

Sign Reimbursement Request – Schuler Road Paving – The Board reviewed and signed the request.

Sign Excess Weight Permit – James Donovan Trucking – The Excess Weight permit was reviewed and signed.

OLD/OTHER BUSINESS:

Legislative Update – There is a potential saving for the Derby and Brownington schools. Brian passed the information along to the school board.

Derby Welcome Signs – Around the signs need to be landscaped. We need to check with the boy scouts or girl scouts to see if this is something that they want to undertake.

Fish & Game Shooting Range – Grant checked with our legislature to see about funding for and indoor range. He will pass the info on to the Fish & Game Club.

Beach House Interior Lighting – The existing lights are too dull and need to be replaced. Bob will check with Efficiency Vermont to see if there are any incentives for replacing the lights.

ROAD REPORT:

Loader should be in next week. Sand is coming along good.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: The next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Monday, September 11, 2017.

Beula made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:56, with Brian seconding. Unanimous.

Submitted by Bob Kelley

Unofficial until approved