

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

**Minutes
February 22, 2021**

Present: Brian Smith, Steve Gendreau, Grant Spates, Brad Shattuck.

Others: Joe Profera, Bob Kelley, Faye Morin, Elijah Capron, Vicky Lewis (by phone), Daniel Lewis (by phone), Karen Jenne (by phone).

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

Warrants #4A in the amount of \$22,544.63 and #4B in the amount of \$44,748.27 were signed.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Brian moved to approve the minutes of February 8, 2021, with Steve seconding. Unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Vicky Lewis, Daniel Lewis, and Karen Jenne had concerns with towers the Border Patrol installed off Holland Road on the Letourneau property. The US Government doesn't need a permit from the Town for this type of project, but there is a comment period for the public to comment on it. The Lewis' and Ms. Jenne would like to ask Border Patrol to come to a Selectboard meeting to explain what they are doing and to answer questions, they would also like the Town to ask the Border Patrol to extend the comment period. The Town agreed to call the Border Patrol and ask them if they would come to the Board's next meeting on March 8th and if they will extend the comment period.

NEW BUSINESS:

Derby Line Apartments – Town Health Officer Elijah Capron updated the Board on the apartment in Derby Line that straddles the border. The State is trying to contact Canada to see if they will give them jurisdiction over the whole property or if they will work with them to make this property safe for the tenants. It is believed that the water is back on and he is waiting to hear back from the State.

Review & Sign – Liquor Licenses – Blissrite Pizza Corp – VT Pie & Pasta, Brockton Corp, Derby Village Store, Kinney Drugs – At 6:30 Brian moved to go into a Liquor Board meeting, seconded by Steve. Unanimous. These are all renewals of existing licenses. At 6:32 Steve moved to come out of the Liquor Board meeting, seconded by Brian. Unanimous. Brad moved to approve the licenses for Blissrite Pizza Corp – VT Pie & Pasta, Brockton Corp, Derby Village Store, Kinney Drugs, seconded by Steve. Unanimous.

Review & Sign Excess Weight Permits – J P Sicard – New England Quality Services, Structural Wood Products, and Velco – Steve reviewed and signed as Road Commissioner.

Review & Sign – Certificate of Highway Mileage – There are no changes to the highway mileage from last year. Steve moved to approve and sign the Certificate of Highway Mileage, seconded by Brad. Unanimous.

NEKWMD – Hazardous Waste Day Approval Form – Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day will again be the first Saturday in June. This year it will be on June 5, 2021 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM at the Town Garage. Brian move to approve, seconded by Brad. Unanimous.

TA & ZA Update – DRB/PC: Next week is Town Meeting, so the DRB and PC will not be meeting until March 15th. The DRB has 3 permits scheduled for March 15th. The PC has a public hearing for a bylaw amendment scheduled for March 15th. **Permits:** There have been 14 permits submitted year to date. **Storm Damage – FEMA:** Nothing new to report. **Grants:** N Derby Rd FLAP Grant – Austin Construction has submitted their bonds and the contract has been signed. A preconstruction meeting will be scheduled later this spring. **VT Route 111:** We

have not received the more detailed letter that Secretary Flynn said he would send. The State is planning of leveling some of the worse spots between Dumas Rd and Gore Rd. **All-Hazard Mitigation Plan:** The plan has been adopted and the State has approved it. The formal approval letter from FEMA is in the government queue and will get here as soon as the bureaucracy allows. I emailed a copy of the final plan to everyone. It is 72 pages long, if anyone wants a paper copy let me know.

Truck Bids – Only one bid on the equipment for \$61,915 (plow, wing, body). Three bids were received for the truck; one company did not submit a bid. All three will give the Town \$65,000 for our trade-in. International Truck - \$114,755, Mack Truck - \$124,162, and Western Star Truck - \$129,917. Steve researched trade in values for different model trucks and the Mack has a high trade-in compared to the others. The Town has two Mack Trucks that have been very good. Steve thinks that in the long run the Mack will be the best value. All of them have similar warranties. Steve recommends the Mack. Delivery is estimated for fall. Steve moved to purchase the Mack, seconded by Brian. Unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS:

Legislative Update – No cuts in the Transportation Bill.

ROAD REPORT:

A lot of little nasty storms. Paving bids should be in for the next meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The burnt house on Main Street has been sitting a long time without being fixed. Bob told the Board the damaged buildings are supposed to be fixed within 6 months, but because there have been insurance issues he has been holding off on enforcing. The Board requested that he issue a Notice of Violation to get things moving.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

The informational meeting for Town Meeting is next Monday, March 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. and will be held remotely. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Monday, March 8, 2021. Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 p.m., with Brian seconding. Unanimous.

Submitted by Bob Kelley, *Unofficial until approved.*