## Town of Danby Select Board Meeting Minutes December 14, 2023 Town Office, Danby, VT 7:00pm

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**ZOOM MEETING ID: 834-6028-2318** 

Public Present – D. Stoddard, B. Thompson, L. Jepson, O. Lyons, G. Heaton, T. Porter, J. Millard, M. Stone

Virtual Present - A. Smith, C. Hardaway, T. Parker, D. White, S. White, G. Derr, L. Dever

- Call to order at 7:01pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
  - o Fuller, Haines, Bender present
    - Powers, Abbott absent
- Procedure for Remote Access Attendance Statement
  - Beth Thompson
- Motion to set agenda
  - Motion by Fuller Seconded by Haines
    - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
  - Margo Stone road issue
  - What is the winter Maintenance schedule for the roads
    - Has to leave very early in the morning 4am
    - Road crew typically leaves at 5am to be ahead of the buses
    - What can be done, main concern is safety
      - Road Commissioner and Foreman agreed to 4am start rather than 5am
- Motion to adopt minutes of Select Board Meeting November 9, 2023
  - Motion by Haines, seconded by Fuller
    - Motion passed unanimously
- Motion to Ratify approved VT CCB Applications S-2164 and S-6129
  - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
    - Discussion
      - What is the town's actual power around application?
        - Can request more information from the CCB
      - Could an application be denied?
    - Motion 2 yes, 1 no
- Motion to approve Town of Danby Dog Ordinance
  - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
    - Does it require a leash?
    - Is the Sheriff now in charge of these issues
      - Yes
    - Ordinance goes into effect in 60 days
    - Within 14 days of adoption it needs to be posted for the public
      - Any objections etc can be presented
    - Motion passes unanimously
- Executive Session for Personnel Matter at 7:24pm
  - Motion by Fuller Seconded Haines
    - Motion passes unanimously
    - Resume regular session at 7:43pm
- Treasurer's Report: J. Millard
  - Investment strategy

- Recommendation to do US Treasury Bills
  - Discussion of putting \$500,000 in
    - O Different interest rates based on duration
    - Can be one lump or spread out
    - Looking for direction based on needs
  - Was considering doing multiple months and staggered to not tie up all the funds
- Discuss coverage for out of work employees
  - Table this discussion till next month
- Presentation by Lyle Jepson: Regional Marketing Initiative
  - Here with Olivia Lyons
    - Requesting to be on the ballet for \$1,300 contribution
    - Presentation on how funding is being utilized
      - Looking to add skilled employees to the work force
      - · Working on specific targets to encourage movement to the area
    - Have been doing weekend get aways that share the area
      - Have had success with those involved with the program and evidence of them moving to the area
    - Economic studies are done and available to help with development
    - Very transparent with use of funds and information
- Road Commissioner's Report: T. Fuller, Jr.
  - o Potential issues surrounding the freeze thaw cycles that are happening
    - Want to address some bad spots next week if the weather cooperates
  - Haven't had a hard winter yet, salt budget is in check so far
  - Working on brush cutting when not working on major events
- Old Business
  - o none
- New Business
  - o none
- Motion to adjourn 8:07pm by Haines, Seconded by Fuller
  - o motion passes unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by:

**Drea Stoddard** 

Minute Taker