

Town of Danby
Select Board Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2023
Town Office, Danby, VT 7:00pm
<https://www.danbyvt.org/government-information>
ZOOM MEETING ID: 834-6028-2318

Public Present – D. Stoddard, B. Thompson, T. Porter, D. Garceau, N. Garceau, D. White Jr.,
Virtual Present – D. White, L. Dever, B. Richardson, J. Brace, T. Parker, C. Hardaway, A. Smith,

- Call to order at 7:01pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
 - Abbott, Bender, Fuller, Haines, - present
 - Powers - Absent
- Procedure for Remote Access Attendance Statement
 - Beth Thompson
- Motion to Set Agenda
 - few additions from agenda
 - Strike treasure's report
 - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
 - None
- Motion to adopt Minutes of Select Board Meeting of March 9, 2023
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Vets Monument – D. Garceau
 - Adopt name plaque guide-lines
 - Make minor adjustments to guide-lines
 - Wording and price of plaques
- Northshire Rescue Contract – D. Garceau
 - Still current rep. they meet when necessary
 - Resident brought up a concerning response they received this winter that it would take 3 hours for Northshire Rescue to get to them
 - Will look into this issue further
 - Wait on signing contract, would like a representative from Northshire Rescue to attend the next meeting
- Planning Commission Report – S. Taylor absent
 - D. Stoddard
 - Village Center Designation has been awarded to Danby for another 8 years
 - Planning Commission will be meeting in May, taking a break for the summer, the resume meeting in September
 - M. Bushee
 - MERP program
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- Delinquent Tax Collector status report – D. White Jr.
 - Current delinquent taxes
 - \$43,000 is outstanding
 - Errors & Omissions a piece of land did not transfer properly
 - A tax bill is being produced when not necessary and producing an interest charge
 - Motion to allow Doug White Jr. to reverse \$25 interest

- Motion by Haines, Seconded by Fuller
 - Form needs to be printed out and signed for Errors and Omissions
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - Next run of Tax Sale Properties
 - 6 properties that could go for Tax sale
 - Motion to have Doug take these properties to the next step of preparing for tax sale
 - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Open Bids and Award 709 Greene Hill Road Property
 - Received 3 bids
 - M. & D. Taylor \$18,520
 - S. Roberts \$15,000
 - M. McClellan \$20,001
 - Motion to Award Bid to Mark McClellan for \$20,001
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott
 - Discussion
 - Reread notice
 - The original owner put in a bid
 - Motion to rescind original motion by Fuller and seconded by Abbott
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Motion to sell property back to Shirley Roberts for \$15,000
 - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Abbott
 - Abbott – yes
 - Fuller – yes
 - Bender – yes
 - Haines – yes
 - Motion passes unanimously
- GMP permit
 - Motion to table
 - Motion by Fuller, seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Road Commissioner’s Report – T. Fuller Jr.
 - Update on current projects
 - Parish Hill tree cutting almost complete
 - Grading has started, high volume roads have been gone over once
 - Lilly Hill Bridge Project
 - Paving projects, accepting bids
 - Guardrails
 - Some areas of Parish Hill will need guardrails
 - Discuss possible “on-call” position
 - For 4th man needed when there is a bad storm, when members aren’t available, or other outstanding circumstances
 - Application received from E. Haines
 - Advertise position, set hourly rate, but no limit on time
 - Motion to create an On call position pending review of union contract, and to advertise position for 2 weeks
 - Motion by Abbott, Seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passed unanimously
 - Discuss Truck Replacement
 - The International had a good winter

- Starting to have transmission issues and other problems
 - Priced 3 Tandems, and 1 single Axel, 1 6x6
 - Tandem can carry more and has greater resale value
 - Mack \$ 156,307
 - FreightLiner \$146,196
 - Western Star \$156,901
 - Truck Body options
 - Tenco \$100,810
 - All angle plow, wing, and standard dump body
 - Everything is interchangeable and is what the town currently has on trucks
 - Viking \$95,000
 - Need to know trade-in value, and cost of extended warranty
 - Get exact figure to move forward with the Western Star and Tenco body
 - Additional Chainsaw for Road crew
 - Have 3 chainsaws that are reliable and an electric
 - Larger trees are needing something larger to be safe
 - Received 3 prices for Husqvarna 572 XP
 - Best price is from Gerald White's
 - Motion to purchase the 572xp from Gerald Whites and ask if he will give an allowance on trade-in
 - Motion by Abbott, seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Approve Fleet Permits for: AmeriGas, Beacon Sales Acquisition, Camp Precast Concrete, Consolidated Communications, Cota & Cota, Fuller Sand & Gravel, Herman Construction, Hunter Excavating, Transport, & Timber Harvesting, HOP Energy, Miles Lumber d/b/a Miles Fuels, Steve Newton, Beacon Sales Acquisition, Wind River Environmental, A. Johnson Co., C & R Hauling
 - Motion to approve the above fleet permits
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Transfer Station Procedures
 - Hoping to communicate with Treasurer further about stickers
 - Need to figure out how to cover the current deficit
 - Want to get away from a lot of cash exchanging hands when the dump is open
 - Takes away from monitoring what goes into the dumpsters
 - Takes time as well
 - Prices need to increase - double
 - Color coded stickers for bag size
 - Reevaluate what neighboring towns are charging
 - Need to figure out sticker availability
 - Motion to table until next month
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Old Business
 - none
- New Business
 - none
- Motion to adjourn 8:55pm by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott
 - motion passes unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by:

Drea Stoddard
Minute Taker