

Town of Danby
Select Board Meeting Minutes
May 11, 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, B. Weiss, D. Garceau, M. Abbott, H. Abbott,
Virtual Present – A. Smith,

- Call to order at 7:02pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
 - Abbott, Bender, Fuller, Haines – present
 - Powers - Absent
- Procedure for Remote Access Attendance Statement
 - Beth Thompson
- Motion to set agenda
 - 2 additions
 - New business addition
 - Motion by Abbott, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
 - D. Garceau
 - Memorial Day Service on 5/27 at 11am
 - Everyone is invited to attend to help honor those who have served
 - M. Abbott
 - Not happy with the assessment that was done of the town
 - Was home when assessment was done, and they never got out of their vehicle
 - Asking the board to do something about it, understands that current board is not responsible for hiring the assessors
 - There are others expressing concerns as well
 - Listers issue, encouraging those to grieve
 - Others are in agreement that numbers do not add up
- Motion to adopt minutes of Select Board Meeting of April 13,2023 and special meeting April 25,2023
 - Motion by Haines, seconded by Abbott,
 - Motion passed unanimously
- NSR Emergency Medical Services Agreement
 - Discussion B. Weiss
 - Agreement with 5 towns that are served
 - 3 year agreement
 - Any party can leave the agreement with a 12 month notice before contract is up
 - 1 year evergreen clause
 - Dues and services fees
 - Covers cost of new ambulance
 - Based on per capita of each town 15%
 - Based on percentage of service calls 7%
 - Recent concern brought up to squad
 - Call had been made directly to the squad office during a storm
 - Worse-case scenario if they were needed, could be 3 hours

- Concern about response time
 - If one ambulance is at southern hospital, mutual aid could be called in to assist with response time
 - Mutual aid is available if response time will be longer
 - Training fire departments to have first responders
 - Grateful for the services that are available
 - Motion to sign NSR Emergency Services Agreement
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- GMP Permit
 - Discuss
 - Lines need to be buried a minimum of 1ft below bottom of culvert
 - Motion to sign GMP Permit
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Otter Creek Fun Center outside Consumption Permit
 - Currently have a license for indoor consumption, would like to add outdoor consumption for the fenced in patio area
 - Motion to approve permit
 - Motion by Haines, seconded by Fuller
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Road Commissioner's Report – T. Fuller Jr.
 - Update on current projects
 - Concrete was poured in front of masonic building to fix catch basin, allows for safer parking
 - Parish hill is almost completely cut back
 - Grading is being done, and chloride applied to those after grading
 - Hopefully completed soon
 - Culverts are next on the list
 - Chipper is fixed
 - Village work to help set marble for the fountain
 - Discussion of catch basin issue on Depot St.
 - Water drainage still a mystery
 - High water table since Irene bubbles up from broken/clogged pipe
 - What can be done to explore issue and find a solution
 - Could it be snaked with a camera to explore
 - Haines will arrange to have line snaked with a camera
 - Appoint "on-call" position
 - Discuss applicants
 - Received one application
 - Motion to hire Eisha Haines for the on-call position for the town of Danby
 - Motion by Fuller, seconded by Abbott
 - Haines abstained
 - Motion passes
 - Award Paving Contract
 - Received 3 bids
 - Peckham Industries \$764,XXX
 - Pike \$500,XXX
 - Fuller Sand & Gravel \$445,378.50
 - Motion to award bid to Fuller Sand & Gravel
 - Motion by Haines, second by Abbott,
 - Abbott - yes

- Fuller – abstained
 - Bender – yes
 - Haines - yes
- **Approve Fleet Permits for – Brown’s Certified Welding, D F Transportation, Driscoll Bros Excavating, LLC, Lathrop Forest Products**
 - **Motion to approve permits**
 - **Motion by Haines, second by Fuller,**
 - **Motion passes unanimously**
- **Transfer Station Procedures**
 - **Nothing new at this time**
- **Old Business**
 - **None**
- **New Business**
 - **Sheriff’s contract**
 - **Would like to draft a new contract for 2023-2024**
 - **Increase in hours or any other concerns?**
 - **How many hours are spent on rt7 verse patrolling the town roads**
 - **Can it exclude state highways?**
 - **Budget should be maximized**
 - **Having law enforcement presence helps overall**
 - **Road crew has concerns about vehicles not traveling safely when road work happening**
- **Motion to adjourn 8:10pm by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott**
 - **motion passes unanimously**

Respectfully Submitted by:

**Drea Stoddard
Minute Taker**