Town of Fletcher – Select Board Fletcher Town Clerk's Office Monday, October 7, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Present

Members: Jon Bondy (Chair), Rich Bidwell, Matt Gillilan, Christine E. Nilsen_

Guests: Lars Baris, Sergeant Paquette (VT State Police), Rachael Scarpa (Secretary), Karrie Sweet (Town Clerk), Aimee Tinker (Assistant Town Clerk)

1) Call to Order

a. Jon called the meeting to order at 7:02pm

2) Public Comment

a. Lars Baris has a goal of getting 80% or higher voter turn-out for the national election and would like the Select Board's support. Lars discussed his ideas with the Select Board. The Select Board asked Lars to write something up that could potentially be published on the town's website and social media.

3) State Police

a. Sergeant Paquette discussed that the State Police will have a presence at Select Board meetings in an effort to understand what is going on in towns around the state. The Select Board discussed concerns about drug deals and drug paraphernalia seen/found in the Elementary School parking lot, speeding, and ATVs and UTVs on town roads. Sergeant Paquette will follow up with Jon about State Police activity reports that could be provided to the Select Board.

4) Road Report

- a. Road crew is preparing for winter and hauling sand.
- b. Opted out of the RFP for Lange Road plowing, and the road crew will continue to plow Lange Road. Matt will reach out to the homeowner about this decision*

5) Facilities

- a. Generator: The Select Board reviewed and discussed two quotes they received for the generator installation and unanimously decided on John Roger's quote. Rich will start this process*
- b. Air Conditioner in town office: The Select Board discussed the air conditioner/heat pump in the town office. Rich is going to find paperwork on the heat pump that shows installation instructions and will let the Select Board know what he finds.*
- c. Heat in town garage: Relay needs to be fixed- Rich will complete.* Matt will talk to Norman Rainville about letting Matt know when something needs repair in the garage.*
- d. Office for town garage: RFP is complete (Attached) and will be posted in the St. Albans Messenger, social media, town website, etc.

6) Town Clerk update

- a. Cell phone for road crew: After researching, Aimee found that Verizon will be the more affordable option for a cell phone and plan. The Select would like to ensure that the phone will be compatible with email. Karrie will have the town's Technical Support people call Jon.*
- b. Town border: There are 3 homes that appear to be within Fletcher town lines, that have been paying taxes to Fairfax. Karrie will gather more information from the state and then discuss findings with the Select Board.*

7) Other Items

- **a.** The Select Board received a letter from Green Mountain Transit. Jon will follow up with GMT about the letter.*
- **b.** Fire hydrant grant: The Select Board discussed potential fire hydrant locations should the town receive the grant.

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c. Sheriff: The Select Board discussed the benefits of contracting with the Sheriff's Department. Christine will reach out to the Sheriff's Department and find out the status of the grant Sheriff Roger Langevin spoke about in the Select Board meeting he attended. Christine will also ask if the emergency response time would change if Fletcher did have a contract with the Sheriff's Department. Rich will reach out to Brad Docheff, Fairfax Town Manager and see if he can provide feedback about the experience Fairfax has with the Sheriff's Department.*

8) Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 9:04pm

Upcoming Meetings:

Select Board Meeting: October 21, 2019 at 7pm

on Bondy, Chair

Matt Gillilon

Christine E. Nilsen

Rich Bidwell

Jesse Wiens

^{*}Denotes action item