

Town of Fletcher – Select Board Meeting
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Monday, April 5, 2021
Meeting Minutes

Virtually Present

Members: Jon Bondy (Chair), Rich Bidwell, Bruce Douglas, and Matt Swartz.

Guests: Corey Decker, Pam Jedlicka, Tara Sweet, Karrie Sweet (Town Clerk), Aimee Tinker (Assistant Town Clerk), and Rachael Wilson (Secretary).

1) Call to Order:

- a. Jon Bondy called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

2) Payroll and Accounts Payable:

- a. Jon, Rich, and Matt Swartz approved.

3) Broadband:

- a. Jesse emailed a Broadband update that there are a few pieces to button up before getting the notice to proceed.
- b. The Select Board discussed when residents will be able to connect to Mansfield Community Fiber Broadband. It would likely be a year from when MCF gets the go ahead, Summer of 2022. Rich suggested that the Select Board refer residents with connectivity questions to speak to MCF.
- c. Jon, Rich, Bruce, and Matt Swartz approve the following: As a result of the Bond Vote in the affirmative from June 22, 2020, the Select Board approves financing from Vermont Economic Development Authority in the amount of \$480,200; the Select Board authorizes Karrie Sweet (Town Treasurer) to execute any and all documents required of the Town to consummate said transaction.

4) Board Business:

- a. Metcalf Pond residents began responding to the change to the beach access. Jon encouraged Select Board members to review the correspondence. Rich suggested new Select Board members review the book at the Town Office that includes the history of Metcalf Pond use. The Select Board will discuss the responses in the 4/19/2021 Select Board meeting.
- b. Fire Reimbursement policy: Jon motions that the board approves the Fire Reimbursement Policy. Bruce spoke with Alan Cary (Cambridge Fire Chief) and he said it may be difficult to prove negligence. Bruce asked what prompted the Select Board to consider this policy. Jon explained that Fairfax has it and Matt Gillilan brought it to the Select Board's attention because of the increase in emergency response costs year over year. Bruce would like to know if Fairfax has been successful when trying to use it before he approves. Matt Swartz explained that he had similar concerns to Bruce, but the Select Board added language to the policy that resolved Matt Swartz's concerns. Rich, Matt Swartz, and Jon Bondy approve the Fire Reimbursement policy.
- c. Heat pumps: Rich left a message for Travis about the heat pump quotes. Rich will get quotes for moving and raising the heat pump.
- d. Annual maintenance: Rich started composing a list and discussed some of the items with the Select Board. Rich will send a list to the Select Board.
- e. Bid Policy: Rich will work on the policy. This item was moved to the next agenda.

5) Roads:

- a. Rich reported that the Road Crew received complaints about the condition of Kinsley Road. Rich spoke to Matt Gillilan and he talked to the Road Crew. Currently, it is hard to do anything about them because of mud season.

6) Adjournment: 7:29pm

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Upcoming Meetings:

Select Board Meeting: April 19, 2021 at 7pm

Jon Bondy, Chair

Matt Gillilan

Rich Bidwell

Matthew Swartz

Bruce Douglas