Town of Hinesburg VT

SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES -DRAFT-

November 19, 2018

Attending the meeting; Phil Pouech, Aaron Kimball, Merrily Lovell (by phone), Tom Ayer, Andrea Morgante, Renae Marshall, Joy Dubin Grossman and attached list.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Executive session

Andrea made a motion to go into executive session because premature public knowledge of our issues with Hannaford's court case and DRB denial would put the town at a disadvantage. Second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

Tom made a motion to go into executive session and include David Rugh, Joy, Renae and Alex. Merrily will participate by phone. We will discuss Hannaford under the provision of Title 1, Section 313(a)(1)(A) of Vermont State Statutes. Second by Andrea and approved with 5 yes votes.

Aaron made a motion to leave executive session at 7:02 p.m., second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

Andrea moved to come out of executive session, second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

There were no changes to the agenda.

Public comment

Phil commented on the last meeting when the Board heard from the public regarding the Hannaford decision by the DRB. After people left the Selectboard continued discussion among themselves reviewing comments made. Phil noted there was some concern from residents that Board continued discussing this and he explained it was still an open meeting, there were no decisions made other than to seek legal counsel. Phil said he would be sure in future meetings to let people know if public comment is done the Board will continue discussion on the item.

Tree Maintenance Discussion with Paul Wieczoreck (tree warden) about Emerald Ash Borer

Paul and the Board reviewed a recommended program from Bartlett Tree Experts to address the Emerald Ash Borer problem. The treatment would be for two specific large trees. The proposed treatment is to do a root injection of a pesticide and is effective for a two period of time. Other treatment recommended is root invigoration and soil care including fertilization.

Also suggested is to prune two Sugar Maple trees. One of the two, the tree noted at 10710 (the old library building) is not believed to be a public tree.

Andrea pointed out this would require allocating funds now so the treatment can be done in the spring (before the new budget) and perhaps allocate funds in the budget for the following year.

Paul also discussed the many Ash trees that have been planted in the village and taking them down before they get large and replacing with a different variety.

 Action Item: Renae asked Paul to work on a list of recommended work to be done in FY 20 in addition to what was discussed at this meeting and also what should continue to be put into the capital funds.

Andrea moved to approve the budget for the treatment of the two large Ash trees for a total of \$2925.00 according to the proposal by Bartlett Tree Experts. Second by Aaron. Renae will need to check what funds are available in categories that relate to Town trees. Andrea agreed to table the motion waiting for further information.

Consider Approval of a Grant Application for an Electric Car Charging Station

Richard Faesy reviewed the application with the Board. He advised they are waiting for the ANR assessment site review to be completed. They discussed the new proposed location which will address the concern of snow storage in the area.

Phil had some questions regarding the application. He advised that Hinesburg currently does not have a Village Center Designation. Suggestion was to note the Town has applied and is awaiting approval.

Aaron asked if once installed is the charging station owned by the Town and is the Town is responsible for maintenance. Richard said there is a 5 year warranty and after that it is the Town's responsibility. Aaron then asked about the fee to use the station. Does the Town set the rate so it can include funds for future maintenance? Richard said funds to offset any costs depends on usage.

Andrea moved for the Town Administrator to sign and submit the Grant Application with the modifications discussed. Second by Phil. Aaron commented if this goes through and is successful he would like to expand this with the next site being the commuter lot behind Town Hall. Motion voted and approved with 5 yes votes.

Andrea moved to move forward with the municipal resolution, second by Aaron. There was discussion on the requirement to vote at an annual or special meeting. Based on the date of the grant and deadline of Nov 30 to apply the Board agreed it did not apply to a Town Meeting and to confirm that the Selectboard meeting qualifies. Also in question was if the Planning Commission has made the recommendation for this. Added to the motion is the wording pending Planning Commission approval. Motion voted and approved with 5 yes votes.

Discussion with the Lake Iroquois Association and Their FY20 Budget Request

Chris Conant, LIA president, reviewed the projects done last year as well as plans for the upcoming year and associated costs they are including in the budget request from Hinesburg for FY20. They are asking for \$5,000 for the DASH (diver assisted suction harvesting) program, and \$2500 toward help

with reducing phosphorus run off. Chris said there are plans to work with LIRD and the Town of Williston on Beebe Lane. They have applied for a Block Grant and have received a Strategic Design Grant to restructure the road. Andrea brought up that this would be a good time to develop a strategic plan for Beebe Lane to understand going forward what the maintenance plan will be between all the parties (the towns, residents and district) Chris said the Block Grant requires a 5 year plan.

Consider Water / Wastewater Allocation Request from BlackRock Construction (Haystack Crossing)

Phil said the Board first will need to adjust category 3 of the FY19 allocation pool.

Andrea asked about when the new well goes on line will BlackRock get their 30% of estimated permitted yield or 36,000 gpd whichever is less in addition to what they are approved from the allocation pool. Phil read the agreement and agreed that would be in addition to allocation being discussed tonight. Andrea added that BlackRock will not need to come to the Board with an allocation request for the next phase if they automatically receive the 30%. so how does the allocation tonight relate to the agreement? Phil said they will still need to get approval for future allocation but have a certain amount promised to them.

Phil moved to change category 3 n the water allocation pool for FY19 residential from 5040 gpd to 9500 gpd and enterprise from 4824 gpd to 364 gpd. Second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

Phil moved to approve the water allocation request for BlackRock Construction of 7242 gpd from category 1; 9255 gpd from category 3 for residential use; and 324 gpd from category 3 enterprise. And further, that the category 1 allocations for special projects shall be null and void if the project does not provide the perpetually affordable dwelling units as proposed by the applicant, and consistent with the inclusionary zoning provisions of section 5.21 of the Zoning Regulations. Specifically, these affordable dwelling units shall include a minimum of five 2 bedroom dwelling units in Building B and 10 senior housing dwelling units (for 55 and over) and 5 units to be fully ADA compliant in Building H. Second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

Review December and January Meeting Schedule for FY 20 Budget Planning

The Board will meet every Monday in Dec 3, 10 and 17 and in January 7, 14, 21 and 28. Renae asked Board members to reach out to Department heads of Departments assigned to them and also let Renae know their availability to meet with her and the Department head.

Town Administrator Report

Renae reports she is working on budgets and the RFP's from insurance companies.

Renae reported on the meeting with CSWD and residents.

Renae reviewed the motion language from the April 17, 2017 meeting regarding Vt Gas funds motion. She said the only difference was omitting the words programs and projects. Andrea said her intent was it be invested perhaps as the Peck Estate and overseen by officials. The Board will look at this again after budget season.

Selectboard Forum

Phil said the wastewater committee met, there was discussion about the influent volume and loading in regards to industrial users.

The Town was asked to provide for the Community meal held on the last Friday of the month next June. Board members said they would like to participate again.

Phil received some feedback regarding the speed limits and advised that any revisions will be made later.

The Forest Committee is looking at renaming one of the trails in the Town Forest after Steve Russell.

Aaron reported that the water allocation committee is working on a process of determining criteria and now working on ranking criteria.

Tom announced the Quadra concert will be Jan 4.

Review Minutes of 11/5/18

Aaron moved to approve the minutes of 11/5/18 as amended, second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

Warrants

Aaron moved to approve the warrants, including payroll, as submitted by the Town Treasurer. Second by Tom and approved with 5 yes votes.

Tom moved to adjourn at 9:27 p.m., second by Andrea and approved with 5 yes votes.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Spadaccini, clerk of the Board