

1 **SELECTBOARD MEETING**

2 April 19, 2023

3 Attending the meeting; Merrily Lovell, Mike Loner, Paul Lamberson, Todd Odit, Samantha Lash, Amanda
4 Vincent, Peter Erlich, Chuck Reiss, Nills Behn. Selectboard members absent: Dennis Place, Maggie
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6 Attending remotely; Alex Weinhagen, Margaret McNurlan, Jennifer Decker, Rick McCraw, Sarah Reeves,
7 Mike Webb, Alisa Certa

8 Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. via zoom

9 **Public Hearing – Zoning and Subdivision Regulation Amendments**

10 Merrily opened the public hearing and asked Alex to give an overview of the changes.

11 Alex explained the energy standards changes are proposed to both sets of regulations. The PC worked
12 on this with the help of the Energy Committee and Affordable Housing Committee.

13 Sam L asked about consideration given to enforcement. Alex said there has not been a lot of discussion
14 about enforcement and there are no revisions to address compliance. He noted this is a “self-
15 certification” process by the builder. The Zoning Administrator makes sure this certification has been
16 filed before a certification of occupancy is issued.

17 Margaret M asked if her assumption that there are no changes in respect to land use and density in the
18 proposal is accurate. Alex said that is correct, it is only energy standards for new building.

19 Merrily closed the Public Hearing.

20 **Agenda Additions or Deletions**

21 Merrily said item 14 on the agenda is moved to after the Selectboard Forum.

22 **Public Comment**

23 None

24 **Approve Minutes of 4/12**

25 Merrily moved to approve the minutes of 4/12 as amended. Seconded by Mike and approved with 3 yes
26 votes.

27 **Selectboard Forum**

28 Merrily said she included a note about the Town Charter in the Board highlights she sent into FPF. She
29 said Phil Pouch said he should probably be included in the process.

30 **Consider Letter of Support for Red Wagon Community Recovery and Revitalization Application for Red**
31 **Wagon Expansion**

32 Paul moved to approve the letter of support written by Alex. Seconded by Mike and approved with 3 yes
33 votes.

34 Economic Development Committee Interview – Amanda Vincent

35 Amanda has been in Hinesburg for six years. She is a business owner as an independent contractor for a
36 year book business and member of the local rotary she is excited about all the growth in Hinesburg.

37 Merrily moved to appoint Amanda Vincent to the Economic Development Committee for a three-year
38 term ending April 2026. Seconded by Mike and approved with 3 yes votes.

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40 Energy Committee Interview – Samantha Lash

41 Sam is a climate and energy planner at the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission and would
42 like to help Hinesburg meet energy goals.

43 Merrily moved to appoint Sam Lash to the Energy Committee for a three-year term ending April 2026.
44 Seconded by Mike L and approved with three yes votes.

45 Report on WWTF Upgrade Bid Opening

46 Three bids were received all of which were in the \$15,000,000 range. The formal bid analysis still needs
47 to be done. Due to the higher than expected bid costs this will put us above the bond capacity. We have
48 60 days to decide if we accept or reject bids. Todd said he wants to find out if there is a different
49 solution for Hinesburg.

50 Jennifer asked if any of the bids included PFAS remediation. Todd said they do not.

51 Consider Awarding Retired Police Cruiser Bid

52 Mike L moved to sell the 2015 Ford Interceptor SUV to Ringwood Motors for \$1,750. Seconded by Paul
53 and approved with 3 yes votes.

54 Update on Landfill Solar Project

55 Todd said the project proposed to the Town by Acorn Renewable will not be able to happen as they did
56 not find enough participants for the project.

57 Chuck said the vision was to have community solar.

58 Neil of Aegis said the change is instead of 30 residential there will be one or two participants in the
59 project. Peter will be the investor.

60 Mike Webb said the energy committee is still supportive of the project

61 Mike L asked Peter as the sole investor where will he be selling the power. Neil said to any large off-
62 taker.

63 Mike L asked if the lease with the Town will still be the same. Todd said it will. Peter said there are some
64 edits to the lease he would like the Town to consider. Peter will work with Todd on the lease.

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66 Consider Approval of Tobacco Licenses

67 • KB Enterprises, Bushel Market

68 Mike L moved to convene as the Local Liquor and Tobacco Board. Seconded by Merrily and approved with
69 3 yes votes.

70 Merrily moved to approve the licenses for KB Enterprises and Bushel Market. Seconded by Mike L and
71 approved with 3 yes votes.

72 Paul moved to re-convene as the Selectboard. Seconded by Merrily and approved with 3 yes votes.

73 Consider Adoption of Zoning and Subdivision Regulation Amendments

74 Merrily moved to adopt the Zoning and Subdivision Regulation amendments. Seconded by Paul and
75 approved with 3 yes votes.

76 CSWD Budget Presentation

77 Sarah reviewed the proposed budget and shared information on the future of CSWD. Revenue is up 9.8
78 % and expenses have increased by 8.7 %. Complete presentation is in the packet for tonight's meeting.

79 Paul moved to approve the CSWD FY 24 budget as proposed. Seconded by Mike L and approved with 3
80 yes votes.

81 Approve Warrants and Payroll

82 Mike L moved to approve the warrants signed by Merrily and Maggie, including payroll, as submitted by
83 the Town Treasurer. Seconded by Merrily and approved with 3 yes votes.

84 Adjourn

85 Mike L moved to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Merrily and approved with 3 yes votes.

86 Respectfully submitted,

87 Valerie Spadaccini, clerk of the Board

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