## Town of Danby Select Board Meeting Minutes July 11, 2024

## Town Office, Danby, VT 7:00pm

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**ZOOM MEETING ID: 834-6028-2318** 

Public Present – D. Stoddard, B. Thompson, T. Porter, R. Porter, C. Colvin, N. Garceau, D. Garceau, K. Corey, K. Fenstermacher, N. Bewig, M. O'Brien,

Virtual Present – T. Parker, C. Hardaway, L. Dever G. Derr, L. Bondurant, M. Blouin, S. White, D.R. White,

- Call to order at 7:00pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
  - Abbott, Fuller, Haines, Bender present
    - Powers Absent
- Procedure for Remote Access Attendance Statement
  - Beth Thompson
- Motion to set agenda
  - Add executive session before treasurer's report
  - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
    - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
  - Tracy Porter
    - Wondering about public hearing in August
      - Change date so more people can attend
  - Motion to keep the hearing on 8/8 at 6pm
    - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Abbott
      - Motion passes
  - Kim Corey
    - Presented the select board with a letter of concerns around the land designation change
- Motion to adopt minutes of Select Board Meeting of June 13, 2024
  - Motion by Fuller, seconded by Haines
    - Motion passes unanimously
- Veteran's Monument Fence Discussion
  - Two Quotes for fence replacement
    - Settled Ramble Hartford, VT \$5650
    - Earthworm Construction \$1925
    - Fence is \$1600
      - 6ft tall white vinyl fence
  - Spoke with neighbors that own the land
    - The fence is not on town land
    - Possible to move it onto the property
  - Main concern from home-owners is preserving their privacy and the memorial privacy
    - Height to remain 6ft, damage to lawn and vegetation minimal
    - Concern with some type of agreement that the fence needs to remain
      - Easement would need to be done for land records
  - Would make more sense to put it on town property to alleviate potential issues
    - Motion to authorize \$3525 to replace the fence at the memorial with the fence moved to town property
      - Motion by Fuller Seconded by Haines

- Motion passes unanimously
- When the monument was under Danby Mt. Tabor NOW
  - Fundraisers etc were held to assist with expenses
  - Would like a budget for maintenance and upkeep
    - Gardens, grass, etc.
- RRPC update on Purchase Brook grant opportunity
  - Maggie O'Brien
    - Emergency management planner
    - Hazard mitigation grants
    - Funding opportunity with minimal burden on the town and no matching
      - If the culvert is replaced with a bridge, there will be a loss in water available to the fire department
      - Pre-application due August 16, 2024
      - Basic requirements
      - Multiple applications can be submitted
        - Could the bridge 7 project be eligible
- Planning Commission Report
  - Meeting on August 1, 2024 6pm
    - Logan Solomon
      - Reviewing town plan, starting with land designation
- Executive Session
  - Motion to go into executive session at 7:55pm
    - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Abbott
      - Motion passed unanimously
- Executive session ended at 8:30pm
- Treasurer's Report
  - Review letters of interest and appoint Treasurer to serve until Town Meeting 2025
    - Motion to appointment Michelle Bushee
      - Motion by Haines Seconded by Fuller
        - Motion carried
          - Abbott abstained
- Allocate ARPA Funds
  - The Green House at the 4 Corners has been removed
    - Cost \$13,860
      - Payment coming from ARPA funds
  - o Estimate on Depot St. Drainage
    - Bender to get estimates
- Road Commissioner's Report: T. Fuller, Jr.
  - Projects
    - Four culverts have gone in
    - Grading has been ongoing
      - Had been down and needed repairs
  - Traffic Study Scottsville Rd
    - There is a counter on Baker Brook
    - Celia Colvin
      - Concerns about guardrail that was damaged
        - Not visible since roadsides haven't been mowed
      - Ditching by driveway question
        - cut in for water drainage
  - Approve Fleet Permit for Beacon Sale Acquisition
    - Motion by Fuller seconded by Haines
      - Motion passes unanimously

- Old Business
  - o none
- New Business
  - o none
- Motion to adjourn 8:40pm by Haines, Seconded by Fuller
  - o motion passes unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by:

**Drea Stoddard** 

**Minute Taker**