Town of Danby Select Board Meeting Minutes June 13, 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, M. Abbott, D. Garceau, K. Corey, Virtual Present – A. Smith, L. Dever, D. White, D. White Sr., S. White, L. Bondurant, G. Derr

- Call to order at 7:00pm
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
 - o Fuller, Haines, Bender, Abbott (late) present
 - Absent Powers
- Procedure for Remote Access Attendance Statement
 - Beth Thompson
- Motion to set agenda
 - Few changes
 - Treasurer report no dump day report yet, resignation
 - New Business primary ballots
 - Motion by Fuller Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Public Comment
 - o Kim Corey concerns about the town plan amendment
 - Concerns about blasting
- Motion to adopt minutes of Select Board Meeting of May 9, 2024
 - Motion by Fuller, seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- RRPC update on grant opportunity
 - o Grant opportunity was not to awarded Danby or Mt. Tabor
- Mike Abbott Holland Heights Road
 - Interested in a culvert at the end of Holland Heights
 - A lot of water runs down the road from multiple directions
 - Over two years since a grader has been on the road
 - 7" channel down the side of road from all the run off
 - Will look at the end of the road and access the feasibility of a culvert
- Planning Commission Report: Re Map Change
 - Presenting Amendment with land designation change
 - Planning Commission is in support
 - Presenting to Select Board and to move forward with the process
 - Motion to accept the town plan Amendment
 - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Abbott
 - Fuller is recusing from vote
 - Motion passes
 - Fuller abstained
 - Set a date for a public hearing
 - Motion to Set public hearing on August 8, 2024 at 6:30pm
 - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Abbott
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Treasurer's Report
 - Received a letter from the Town Treasurer Jennifer Millard
 - Resignation letter, willing to stay on until July 31, 2024

- Motion to accept letter of resignation
 - Motion by Haines, Seconded by Abbott
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Creates a vacancy
 - Must post within 10 days of vacancy, must fill position as soon as possible
 - There is no specific process to make appointment
 - The appointee serves until an election has been had
 - Could be special or during election in March
 - Must be recorded in town records
 - Audit should be done before transition, has been done in the past
 - Could be done in house with current auditors
 - Will post in typically posting FPF, Website, Manchester Journal
 - Would like to receive letters of interest by the July Select Board meeting
- Allocate ARPA Funds: M. Powers
 - Estimate on Depot St. Drainage
 - Absent
- Road Commissioner's Report: T. Fuller, Jr.
 - Projects
 - Tree cutting, ditching, culverts
 - 4 culverts going in next week
 - 2 on Blood Street, 1 on Colvin Hill, 1 on Danby Mountain
 - Ditching on Baker Brook, Danby Mountain, and Keeler
 - Temporary person to run roadside mower
 - Received one application from an interested party
 - Option to purchase a disc mower to make it possible to make a single pass on wider areas, to save time
 - Need to decide where the funds are coming from to pay for the new town truck
 - The equipment fund is short \$34,268.27 from the total price of truck
 - Motion to pay for the truck from the equipment fund and balance of \$34,268.27 from ARPA funds
 - Motion by Fuller Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
 - Traffic Study Scottsville Rd
 - Approve Fleet Permit for B K Services LLC
 - Motion by Haines seconded by Abbott
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Sheriff Contract
 - Not happy with services or billing from current contract
 - Would like a report for services
 - Renewal is due by June 30, 2024
 - o Rates have increased, reserves the right to re-negotiate with fuel costs
 - Should be serving the town 14hrs per week
 - The reports would be helpful to explain when patrol is happening and where
 - Motion to sign the contract
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Old Business
 - o none
- New Business
 - Ballots are being printed for the primary election in August

- Does the town want to mail absentee to everyone on the list or those who requested
- Motion to only send absentee ballots to those who have requested
 - Motion by Fuller, Seconded by Abbott
 - Motion passes unanimously
- Motion to adjourn 8:05pm by Fuller, Seconded by Haines
 - o motion passes unanimously

Respectfully Submitted by: Drea Stoddard Minute Taker