

SUNDERLAND SELECTBOARD

Regular Meeting – February 1, 2016

1. Call to order by Mark Hyde
2. Board members present
 - a. Rick Timmerman, Jon French, Mark Hyde, Steven Bendix, John Williams
 - b. Audience
 - i. John Stuermer (Lister), Marc Johnston (Highway Foreman), Peter Luca (Sunderland Planning Board Member), Sally Ayrey,
3. Session recorded by GNAT-TV
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - a. Correct Rick's last name to Timmerman
5. Reports from Road Liaison and/or Highway Foreman
 - a. Update on Highway Assistant hire
 - i. He is happy with the position and is looking to stay in the position long-term
 - b. Apply for Backroads Grant
 - i. Inventory roads, culverts to plan for future projects and costs
 - ii. Will tie in with Act 64
 - iii. Rick motions for the signing of the grant, Jon seconds, motion passed
 - c. Hill Farm Bridge
 - i. Looking at a March start date
 - ii. The public will be notified in advance
 - d. More brush has been cut, will burn at a later date
6. Old business
 - a. Junk Enforcement update
 - i. Pauls are in the process of transferring the title of the property to the Coles

1. We will then be able to approach the Coles directly
 - b. Sunderland Safe Road Final Report Recommendations
 - i. Goal is to present a few recommendations at Town Meeting to pursue
 - ii. We will review at next meeting
7. New business
- a. Discuss/Join the Southern Vermont Economic Zone
 - i. They are asking for a contribution of \$1,000
 - ii. Shaftsbury, Bennington on board
 - iii. Steve and John suggest waiting for Town Meeting to see the response to The Partnership's proposal
 - iv. Sally questioned why the Select Board would pay this amount without a warned article
 1. Mark pointed out that we are only discussing it at this point, and that it is a time issue, as that it is too late for a warned article on this issue
 - v. Peter questioned what it would do for Sunderland
 - vi. Mark thinks it would be helpful to have a representative speak to us about it if we decide to pursue it
 - vii. Tabled for later discussion
 - b. We will have a meeting on February 15th despite the holiday
 - c. Discuss rescheduling the March 7th Select Board meeting
 - i. Rescheduled for March 14th, the 21st meeting will remain the same
 - d. Town Meeting outline
 - i. Hill Farm bridge, Highway Assistant new hire, new truck purchase, reassessment
 - ii. Article 12-17 – John will discuss
 - iii. Article 18 – John and independent representative, Mark may or may not choose to speak

1. Sally asked to be emailed if we are notified ahead of time who will be there to represent the Article
- iv. General Budget Remarks – Mark/John
- v. Safe Roads – Mark
- vi. Recycling Surveying – Steve
8. Review of bills, signing of select board, and orders correspondence
 - a. Certificate of Highway Mileage
 - b. Excess Weight Permits
 - c. Payment from Willie's Rubbish Removal
 - d. Compost Bins
 - e. Legal Settlement with Rocky Norse went in his favor
 - f. Amended Minutes clarification
 - g. Rutland Town
 - h. Generator Reimbursement has been received
9. Motion to adjourn made by John, seconded by Steve, motion passed, and adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephanie Muñoz Wells". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephanie Muñoz Wells