

SUNDERLAND SELECT BOARD  
Regular Meeting - February 5, 2018

1. Call to order by Mark Hyde
2. Board members present
  - a. Rick Timmerman, Jon French, Mark Hyde, and Steven Bendix
  - b. Audience
    - i. Marc Johnston (Road Foreman), Rose Keough (Town Clerk/Treasurer), Michael Batchner (BCRC), Jim Hayden (Resident), Jane Lazorchak (VT Fish and Wildlife, Land Acquisition Coordinator), Jonathan Wolfe (Resident), and Mike Pera (Resident)
3. Session recorded by GNAT-TV
4. Approval of Minutes from January 22, 2017
  - a. Additional audience member Peter Van Haverbeke (Resident)
  - b. Motion made to approve the previous meeting minutes made by Timmerman, seconded by French, motion passed
5. Report from Road Liaison and/or Highway Foreman
  - a. Dunham Road flooding
    - i. Clogged pipe is the cause, pipe is owed by the town as well as the railroad
      1. A railroad employee will come to assess, will most likely flush it out
  - b. Cutting down limbs on Lavar Road, will continue on Maggies Run and Dunham Road
  - c. New Town Truck purchase
    - i. Received quotes on equipment and truck
      1. Upgraded engine will be included on new truck
      2. \$95,475 for chassis, without the wing plow and post, the equipment will be \$53,700

3. Trade in value at \$20,000 from a national dealer
  - a. Timmerman will look into posting online, looking local, etc.
4. If voters approve the \$65,000 reserve fund, there will be enough to pay for the new truck
5. Chassis wouldn't be here until May at the earliest, but the equipment will take longer
- ii. Motion made by French to approve the purchase of a new Town Truck, contingent upon the voters approving the \$65,000 reserve fund, seconded by Bendix, motion passed
- d. Remapping of river corridors VT ANR - Michael Batchner BCRC
  - i. ANR has asked for review to see if river corridor boundaries need to be remapped
    1. If space isn't allowed for natural river path changes, negative effects may occur, such as damage to infrastructure
  - ii. Bendix asked if flood plains will be affected, Batchner said no since that is done by FEMA
  - iii. The areas identified include Prouty Hill Road, Chiselville Road, Kelley Stand Road, and Borough Road
    1. The areas that become agreed upon will be submitted to the state, and they will send a scientist to review whether changes in boundaries need to be made
  - iv. Johnston will look at the information and report back to the Select Board at the next meeting so that a motion can be made
    1. Johnston and Batchner will be in contact to discuss further
6. New Business
  - a. Potential to have a dump day for ISAP towns - Michael Batchner BCRC
    - i. One day/or week long event

- ii. Stickers would be issued at a cost to residents to discard one large piece, or 4 tires, not regular trash
- iii. Would be done at Casellas, and the Town of Sunderland would be responsible for the bill at the end
  - 1. The Town of Sunderland would receive a 15% discount
- iv. Possibly occur in May of 2019
- v. Bendix suggested issuing a set amount of stickers as a trial for the first year
- vi. Hyde's concern is that the cost for this event isn't currently budgeted for
  - 1. Hyde asked for some figures to be given so that the Select Board could get an idea of what it would cost
  - 2. It would act like a community clean up event
    - a. No businesses would be allowed
- vii. Batcher asked that the Board think of the amount that the Town of Sunderland would be willing to provide as a subsidy
  - 1. Hyde suggested between \$1,000 and \$1,500
- b. Land acquisition of Mike Hayden's property at Kesick Swamp WMA, follow up on access - Jane Lazorchak, VT Fish and Wildlife, Land Acquisition Coordinator
  - i. The Hayden properties are to the south of the Kessick Swamp portion owned by VT Fish and Wildlife
  - ii. Current right of way is on Beaver Meadow
    - 1. The new acquisition would limit car usage on Beaver Meadows
  - iii. Mike Hayden's land would be purchased for use
    - 1. This is the only property to be owned by Fish and Wildlife
  - iv. Jim Hayden would donate a portion of their property to act as access/parking for Kessick Swamp

- v. Fish and Wildlife will either own or lease a portion of John Hayden's property to act as a parking lot
  - 1. Signage and promotion would be used to support this new access
- vi. Jim Hayden related the family's interest in creating a nature trail in memory of their father, they are also working with the Vermont Land Trust
  - 1. Jonathan Wolfe has agreed to work with the Haydens to create the trail
- vii. Motion was made to provide the full support for the Fish and Wildlife Department's involvement in the purchase of the 46-acre Hayden property in the Town of Sunderland, more specifically, the town supports the FWD owning and managing the property to conserve the natural resource values on them and public access for all wildlife-base recreation by French, seconded by Timmerman
- c. February 19th Meeting Change
  - i. Meeting changed to February 20th
- 7. Review of Bills, Correspondence, and Signing of Select Board's Orders
  - a. Vermont Council of Rural Development submitted request for contribution, but as they didn't follow procedure, they will be left out
  - b. Arlington fire protection sent a bill, which was \$1,300 higher than anticipated
- 8. Motion to adjourn made by French, seconded by Timmerman, motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters 'S', 'M', and 'W' in a cursive, flowing style. The 'S' is large and loops around, the 'M' has two distinct peaks, and the 'W' is formed by two connected 'u' shapes.

Stephanie Muñoz Wells