

# ***Town of Sunderland, Vermont***

## ***Select Board Meeting Minutes***

October 28, 2019

### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

a. Chair called to order the regular meeting of Sunderland Select Board at 7 PM

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. INTRODUCTION of Board Members and speakers. Present were Jon French, chairperson, Rick Timmerman, Conor Stewart, Dixie Zens, Andrew McKeever. Colleen York, recording secretary**

### **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 10/14/19 meeting.**

Moved by Dixie Zens

Seconded by Rick Timmerman

Approved

### **5. ROAD LIASON REPORT**

Work has begun on Hill Farm Rd. bridge and will be completed based on weather.

Town trucks have been serviced and ready for winter. Salt is in the shed.

Mowing is completed except some parts of Kelly Stand Rd. It was noted that as of November 1st Kelly Stand Rd. is not maintained during the winter months.

Speed signs will continue to rotate, the one from Hill Farm Rd. will be moved to South Rd.

Road crew will launder their uniforms themselves saving the town money for a service. Uniforms will be purchased at RK Miles.

### **6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### **7. COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

Dixie Zens reported that the Energy Committee will be scheduling it's first meeting. Hope to have more participants on the committee. Goal to encourage residents to learn about resources and programs that will aid residents in energy

conservation which may translate to saving money on their energy bills. Some programs are based on income eligibility.

Jon French reviewed letter from Efficiency Vermont that can also assist local businesses. Residents can visit [efficiencyvermont.com](http://efficiencyvermont.com) for additional information.

## **8. OLD BUSINESS**

Dixie Zens reviewed Casella Contract which will be a joint agreement with Sunderland, Arlington, Manchester, Sandgate and Dorset. The final contract may be ready to sign at next select board meeting.

Discussion regarding recycling. Dixie Zens had flyers and posters which will be available at town hall. Mr. Zens will continue to provide information as it becomes finalized. The plan will be to get recycling information on town website.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

Jon French noted that future select board meetings will include preliminary budget discussions. He asked that members begin to contact their respective areas to learn of increasing costs and report back.

## **10. REVIEW OF CORRESPONDENCE and SIGNATURES**

Efficiency Vermont correspondence reviewed during committee report.

MVP correspondence that there will be some increase.

Comcast sent information on a Northeast Center to deal with emergencies and concerns.

A letter was received from someone who has purchased property in Sunderland and who is interested in participating in town services once he becomes a resident.

Kathleen James state representative, will attend the November 11 meeting. Andrew McKeever noted Ms. James will also be in Manchester at Park House on November 8, 6:30 PM to 8 PM on connectivity issues in our area.

All warrants signed.

**11. Rick Timmerman moved to adjourn, Dixie Zens seconded. Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM**

**Next meeting November 11, 2019 at 7 PM**