

Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting
Monday December 14, 2020, 2020 6:00 PM

VIA ZOOM

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order-Called to order at 6:00 pm by Jon French, Chair
2. Introduction of Board Members and speakers. Board members present were-Chair, Jon French, Rick Timmerman, Dixie Zens, Andrew McKeever and Bruce Mattison. Also present, Michael Batchter-BCRC, Adam Annunziata-Town Emergency Management Coordinator, Mark Hyde-Sunderland CUD Rep
3. Hazard Mitigation Plan-Michael Batchter BCRC
 - a.) Survey Responses- couple responses have come back. Should place on Front Porch Forum for more exposure
 - b.) Hazard Rankings- Went over changes in a couple rankings
 - c.) Hazard Areas Map- Board to review and check for any changes, typos etc...
 - d.) Mitigation Actions/Development of Measures- Board to review actions on what actions to keep, what to change or eliminate for next meeting
 - e.) Next meeting December 28, 2020 at 6:00 pm via Zoom.
4. Approval of Minutes from November 23, 2020 meeting. Motion to accept made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. McKeever unanimous vote Motion carried.
5. Public Comment- None
6. COVID 19 update
 - a.) Highway Department/Town Hall-
 - b.) State Recommendations/protocol updates- Group meeting restrictions still in place
 - c.) 2021 Annual Town Meeting considerations- Discussions on whether to hold the Annual Town Meeting via Zoom. That will result in usual floor vote items needing to be placed on the Australian Ballot. Motion to hold the Annual Town Meeting as an informational meeting via Zoom was made by Mr McKeever seconded by Mr. Zens. Vote was 4 in

favor(French, Timmerman, Zens and McKeever) 1 against (Mattison).
Motion carried Town meeting will be held via zoom.

7. Road Liaison Report

- a.) Road Projects- Inside maintenance and brush work being done. Quotes for purchase and installation of back-up generator at Town garage will be available next meeting

8. Committee Meeting Reports

- a.) BCRC – Casella Contract-ISWIP Contract- Nothing new
- b.) CUD- Mark Hyde (Sunderland CUD Rep)-CUD has received \$170,000.00 in Grants. Pole survey completed in underserved areas and Tillson is currently formatting information. Consolidated will run fiber optics hopefully in the next 2-3 years. So. VT will most likely join up with Deerfield Valley CUD in Windham Co.
- c.) Energy Committee- No new info

9. Old Business

- a.) Ideas for welcome packets/update
- b.) Budget Discussions-Current years budget status

10.New Business

- a.) Town Newsletter- Ideas for monthly or quarterly Town newsletter to keep residents more informed were discussed. Choice of receiving it via email or regular mail.
- b.) Discussion on Residents request to have Flynn Hollow Road paved.
Also, Town Hauler forms need to be sent out

11. Executive Session-Personnel Reviews-Motion to enter into Executive Session made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. Timmerman motion carried. Motion to exit Executive session made by Mr. McKeever seconded by Mr. Zens motion carried. Motion made to give the members of the Road Crew a 3.77% raise effective the 2021-2022 fiscal year made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. Mattison unanimous vote Motion carried. Raises are contingent upon approval of budget.

12.Review of Correspondence – Letters read from organizations requesting funds for next fiscal year

13. Next Meeting December 28, 2020 6:00 PM Via Zoom

14. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Timmerman seconded by Mr. French Meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm