Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting

Monday May 24, 2021 7:00 PM

104 Mountain View Road Sunderland, Vermont

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order- Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Jon French-Chair
- Introduction of Board Members and speakers. Board members present were Jon French-Chair, Andrew McKeever, Bruce Mattison, Brenna Warren and Dixie Zens. Others present Wayne Godfrey-Town Constable, Kevin Hewes-Second Constable and Seth Bongartz-State Representative
- Approval of Minutes from May 10, 2020 meeting. Motion to accept made by Mr. McKeever, seconded by Mr. Mattison. Vote 3 yay's 2 abstentions (Zens and Warren) Motion carried
- 4. Public Comment-None
- 5. Legislative update-Seth Bongartz State Representative. Mr. Bongartz gave an update on what's happening in the State legislature including passing of State budget, Childcare Bill that was introduced a legislative glitch in the ARPA money and a look at key topics for next year including Reapportionment and Pension Reform.
- 6. Change to Agenda- Motion to enter Executive Session with the two Town Constable's made by Mr. Zens and seconded by Mr. Mattison. Unanimous vote Board entered executive session at 7:22 pm. Motion to exit Executive Session and reenter regular session made by Mr. Zens and seconded by Ms. Warren. Unanimous vote board returned to regular session at 7:40 pm. Constables will keep Log of any calls responded to and keep on file at Town Office. Town vote at March 6, 2000 Town Meeting prohibit constables from exercising any law enforcement authority without successfully completing State training. Motion to increase the Constable pay to \$20.00/hour made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. Mattison Unanimous vote Motion carried.
- 7. ARPA Webinar-Intro to Local Fiscal Recovery Funds summary-Still waiting on final confirmation as to what the funds can and can't be used on. Early indications seem Sunderland will be limited as to choices. Selectboard will

include Town feedback in the decision process. May have a committee of community members and doing a survey.

- 8. Road Liaison Report
 - a.) Road Projects-Grant for 6 culverts to go up on Kelly Stand. Received cost of Generator, \$1750. And installation, \$1000..
- 9. Committee Meeting Reports
 - a.) BCRC Webinars coming up and can be found on BCRC website.
 - b.) CUD- State putting \$150 million towards broadband expansion
 - c.) Energy Committee-
- 10.Old Business
 - a.) Hazard Mitigation Plan-State Approval-The State has accepted and approved The Town of Sunderlands Hazard Mitigation Plan and it is good until 2026.
- 11.New Business- We will be putting a request for an Audit out to bid
- 12.State Covid Updates- Mask restrictions have changed for those fully vaccinated
- 13. Review of Correspondence/Signing of Warrants
- 14.Next Meeting June 14, 2021 7:00 PM
- 15. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. McKeever Unanimous vote, Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.