Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting

Monday July 12, 2021 7:00 PM

104 Mountain View Road Sunderland, Vermont

Meeting Minutes

- 1. Call to Order-Meeting called to order at 7:00m pm by Jon French-Chair
- Introduction of Board Members and speakers. Board members present-Jon French-Chair, Dixie Zens, Andrew McKeever and Bruce Mattison. Also present, Rose Keough-Town Clerk/Treasurer, Merril Bent-Town Attorney, Rick Davis-Tax Collector, Kevin Hewes-2nd Constable/Animal CO, Lewis Hebert-Planning Board Chair and David Durfee-State Representative
- 3. Approval of Minutes from June 28, 2020 meeting-Motion to accept made by Mr. McKeever seconded by Mr. Mattison. Motion carried
- 4. Legislative Update-David Durfee-State Representative- Rep. Durfee gave an update to the latest legislative session and update on ARPA.
- 5. Adjustment to Agenda-Motion to enter Executive Session to discuss legal issue with Merril Bent-Town Attorney and Rick Davis-Town Tax Collector made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. McKeever. Executive Session entered at 7:15 pm. Motion to exit executive session and return to regular session made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. Mattison Board returned to regular session at 7:40 pm. Merrill Bent will initiate Letter of Ejectment to residents in question on Sunderland Hill Road.
- 6. Public Comment- Discussion on the damage done to the covered bridge and board will look into the cost of placing cameras at the bridge.
- 7. ARPA update- Money has yet to be released to the Town. Board will encourage town feedback on ways to spend the money when we get guidance from VLCT.
- 8. Road Liaison Report
 - a.) Road Projects-Crew looking to get smaller gravel
- 9. Committee Meeting Reports
 - a.) BCRC Agreed to build permanent hazardous waste facility in Bennington
 - b.) CUD- Mark Hyde-Sunderland CUD Rep is the new Chair of the CUD
 - c.) Energy Committee- Window Dressers project dates will be announced

- **10.Old Business**
 - a.) VCAC/Vermont Climate Pledge- Motion to support VLCT's VCAC and Climate pledge made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. McKeever. Motion carried.
- 11.New Business
- 12.Executive Session-Personnel issue- Motion to enter exit session and discuss personnel issue with Planning Board Chair, Lewis Hebert made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. Mattison Board entered Executive Session at 8:02 pm. Motion to exit Executive Session and return to general session made by Mr. Mattison and seconded by Mr. McKeever. Board exited Executive Session and returned to general session at 8:26 pm. The Selectboard and Planning Board will begin the process to appoint a new Zoning Administrator.
- 13.Review of Correspondence/Signing of Warrants- Email from Town resident, Victoria Schramek, complaining of road Crew damaging yew bushes was read. Board will look into resolving the issue.
- 14.Next Meeting July 26, 2021 7:00 PM
- 15. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. Mckeever Meeting Adjourned at 8:41 pm