

Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting

Monday August 23, 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 Chair, Jon French
2. Introduction of Board Members and speakers. Board members present: Chair-Jon French, Brenna Warren, Dixie Zens and Andrew McKeever. Also present were Martina Barnes-District Ranger GMNF, Rose Keough-Town Clerk and Kevin Hewes
3. Approval of Minutes from August 9, 2021 meeting- Motion to approve made by Mr. McKeever seconded by Ms. Warren/ Motion carried
4. Public Comment- Martina Barnes introduced herself to the board. She is the new District Ranger for the GMNF at the Manchester Ranger Station.. Responsible for overseeing 250,000 acres. Wants to help educate as well as becoming a member of the community. Email her Martina.barnes@usda.gov if interested in obtaining firewood from the GMNF.
5. ARPA update-
 - a.) Forum for discussion of spending ideas with town residents- Discussed presenting and asking for ideas at TownMeeting. Also asked townspeople to email suggestions to the selectboard.
6. Road Liaison Report- Covered Bridge repairs almost complete. Crew has been catching up on grading and roadside mowing. Landslides on Kelly Stand being cleaned up with Peter Haggertys assistance.
 - a.) Road Projects-
7. Committee Meeting Reports
 - a.) BCRC – Motion to sign the contract with Casella Waste Management made by Mr. Zens seconded by Mr. McKeever. Unanimous vote motion carried.
 - b.) CUD- Next meeting Wednesday August 25 at 6:00 PM at the Arlington Public Library. Also on Zoom, link is at sovtcud.net

- c.) Energy Committee- Sign placement-A few people have signed up for Window Dressers. Board will check into regulations for placing sign on road by Town Hall informing residents of program.
- 8. Old Business
 - a.) Sunderland Hill Road Junk Ordinance issue update-Chair will take file folder to town lawyers office.
 - b.) Zoning Administrator- Chair will contact planning board chair, Lewis Hebert, as to progress.
 - c.) Cameras for Covered Bridge- Cost/Placement- Motion to spend up to \$1000.00 on camera, card, program and solar panel for recharging made by Mr. Zens and seconded by Ms. Warren. Unanimous vote Motion Carried. Marc Johnston will check with GMP about placing camera on power pole
- 9. New Business
 - a.) Town representative at Arlington Community picnic- Mr. Zens, and Mr. McKeever will be at the Picnic and will accept the award being presented to the Town in honor of those who kept things running during the pandemic.
- 10. Review of Correspondence/Signing of Warrants- Tax Rates were presented and have had a slight decrease Motion to accept the tax rates for fiscal year 2021-22 made by Mr. McKeever seconded by Mr. Zens unanimous vote Motion carried.will inquire on status of Town Health Officer appointment.
- 11. Next Meeting September 13, 2021 7:00 PM
- 12. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn made by Ms. Warren seconded by Mr. Zens unanimous vote Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.