

Town of Sunderland Selectboard Meeting

Monday October 24, 2022 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- Alex Bresnick, Dixie Zens, Jon French-Chair, Andrew McKeever and Bruce Mattison. Also present were Brian Lowe-Vermont Council on Rural Development, Rob Zeif-Planning Board Chair, Kathy Johnston-Cemetery Comm. And Marc Johnston-Road Foreman.
3. Approval of Minutes from October 10, 2022 meeting. Motion to approve made by Mr. Zens, second by Mr. Bresnick unanimous vote motion carried
4. Vermont Council on Rural Development presentation- Brian Lowe presented information on what the Vermont Council on Rural Development does for smaller communities. They bring resources to match what the townspeople want, identifies projects. Meant to compliment what the selectboard is doing. They don't have an agenda, they listen. Explained the process-Build a list of town leaders, have meeting on what townspeople want-infrastructure etc., Center the meeting around a dinner and try to hit on 4 topics. They bring people out through a lot of outreach. They ask that the town support a town mailing and the first dinner. After that the Council does the dinners. Process takes about 4 months. Town needs to send letter to the Council saying we are interested.
5. Public Comment- Rob Zeif, Planning Board Chair, would like more open communication with Selectboard. Items of concern will be placed on Agenda and not worked out via email. Planning Board and Selectboard will meet as part of November 14th Selectboard meeting. Kathy Johnston having difficulty getting Deed Book back from resigned Cemetery Board member. Selectboard will inquire with Town Lawyer on best way to proceed.

6. Road Liason Report- Paving Mountainview Road from Sunderland Hill to Town Office parking lot would be approx.\$25K. Seal Coat on parking lot \$24K.
7. Committee Reports
 - a.) BCRC- Still moving forward with permanent Hazardous Waste building
 - b.) Energy- in the middle of window dressers build at Abacus. Northshire build is underway.
 - c.) CUD-
8. Old Business-
 - a.) Brief ARPA update-Pavillion estimate \$80K. Exploring recreational ideas.
9. New Business- Motion to allow EEnable to conduct assessment of current technology systems, with cost not to exceed \$500.00, and then submit a proposal for technology upgrades and needs assessment made by Mr. Bresnick second by Mr. Zens Unanimous vote motion carried. Motion to change Gordon Road, a private road off Laver Road, to Anninas Way made by Mr. Bresnick, second by Mr. Mattison Unanimous vote, motion carried. Motion to approve ad for Janitorial Service Bids for cleaning the Town Office Building made by Mr. Zens second by Mr. McKeever unanimous vote motion carried.
10. Review of Correspondence/Signing of Warrants- Letter from Adam Annunziata resigning as Emergency Management coordinator was read.
11. Next Meeting November 14, 2022 7:00 PM
12. Adjourn- Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Zens second by Mr. McKeever Meeting adjourned at 8:22 pm.