

# Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes

May 13, 2019

In Attendance: Tom Howrigan, Gavin Ryan and Charlie Thomas

Road Foreman: Maurice Jettie

Visitors: Moe Lamothe VSP,

Michele Bessette, Dan Gaffney, Katie Schwartz

Town Administrator: Amanda Forbes

Secretary: Melissa Manson

1. Moe Lamothe came to check in and see if we are having any issues. VSP is almost back to full staff. Updated what's happening in Franklin County. No issues for us.
2. North Road/Chet Arthur intersection light might get fixed this week.
3. Maurice reports that the chloride company is going to match the .82 cents per gallon. Sand pusher has been made and is working.
4. Paving: discussion about where to pave this year. Gavin will take a ride with Moe to look.
5. Maurice said that TAC isn't sure where their money is going to come from this year. Hold on Better Backroads until July 1.
6. We are doing Metcalf Pond Rd shoulders and ditches this year with a Regional Planning Grant.
7. Charlie asked if we are considering paving Duffy Hill. No.
8. Some culvert discussion. Moe to check price on steel culverts.
9. Michele Bessette, Dan Gaffney and Katie Schwartz came from the Community Center to discuss energy efficiency grants. Potential for issues with an underground 1000-gallon fuel tank that is 23 years old. No indication that it is leaking. Would like to install 2 heat pumps and propane back up. Would like the Town's help in removing the in ground tank. Estimate of \$45K for the new system. They are searching for grants. Removal of the old tank estimated at \$7K as long as it's not leaking. SB asks to be kept informed of progress on funding.
10. Charlie and the Rec Committee are planning a "Run for Chet" on Chester Arthurs birthday. Will be an annual event. Rec Committee would like to work with the Community Center on this project.
11. Amanda reports complaints about loose dogs at 87 New St. Amanda sent a letter asking that the dogs be kept corralled. Issue with day care across the road and dogs are charging the fence. We need an Animal Control Officer. We should consider offering a stipend. Amanda to see what other towns do.
12. Community Center has requested a sign on the green. SB prefers it to be wood. Amanda to get in touch with State of VT to put blue info signs on Rt. 36 showing the community center. CC will submit permit to P&Z for approval of the sign.
13. Discussion of when the old garage was purchased. Need this information for a grant.
14. School will not be using the Common School as of 2020. Discussion re what to do with it after. An assessment is being done to see what it needs. Does it have to be ADA accessible? Perhaps move Rec Committee there? Driver Ed there?
15. Gary Corey paid his lease payment for the town forest.

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16. Kings contract for \$1K for East Fairfield mowing was signed.
17. Chesters siding bid received from Adam Brush, Paradee Road. Offer to do it at a discount as a service to his new town. \$2800 in labor. Ask him for references and invite him to our next meeting.
18. Howrigan Rd/South Rd crash recently. Should have dangerous intersection signs.
19. Discussion re Interim Road Foreman pay for when Maurice is absent.
20. Changes to P&Z board approved. Richard Cady resigned. Harry Goldhagen, Peter Burns and Demetrius Bolduc appointed. All one year terms and then to be re-evaluated.
21. Weight permits signed.
22. Sidewalk update. Minor Rd adjustments addressed.
23. Tom made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss an employee issue. Gavin seconded. All in favor. Tom made a motion to exit Executive Session. Gavin seconded. All in favor. Discussion only.
24. Gavin made a motion to approve the warrants. Charlie seconded. All in favor.
25. Gavin made a motion to approve the minutes. Charlie seconded. All in favor.
26. Gavin made a motion to adjourn. Charlie seconded. All in favor

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