

**Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
February 22, 2017**

Present: Helyn Strom-Henriksen, Teddy Hopkins, David Marchegiani, Rebecca Stone, Amber Holland, Debbie Calnan and Larry Hopkins, Forrest Hicks, John Whitman, Sue Bailey, Kim Thayer, James Damato and Rolf Parker

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Additions/Deletions

None

Approval of Agenda

Helyn moved to approve the agenda as written. Ted seconded. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Helyn moved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 02-15-17 as written. David seconded. So voted.

Note: Rebecca Stone was present at the February 8, 2017 meeting. Her name was inadvertently left off of the attendance.

Fiscal Matters

A) Review of Budget Status Report

Checking balance	\$253,651.06
Owed to school FY 2016-2017	\$422,951.72
Water Account	\$68,824.14
Sewer Account	\$54,811.53
Taxes Collected July 1 to Present	\$1,284,514.47
General Fund Balance	\$(169,300.66)

B) Discussion & Action on Signing of PVR 4155.08 Certificate – No Appeal or Suit Pending

David moved to sign the PVR 4155.08 Certificate. Ted seconded. So voted.

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) Updates

Helyn read the DPW report.

Debbie informed the Selectboard that everything went well with the Town Report and that they will be available for pick up at the Town Office by Friday.

Report of Administrative Assistant

Becky gave updates on the Deerfield Wind project communication and how it relates to taxation. Becky also stated the Town received a “Certificate of Program Completion” for the School Street Bank Stabilization project.

Old Business:

A) Discussion & Action on WSWD Representative, RE: Composting

James Damato addressed the audience about Windham Solid Waste regarding the upcoming changes. Composting will become mandatory on July 1st. Through a grant, nine (9) 2-yard containers can be purchased so that the containers will be used for composting material. An RFP will also be put together to hire a hauler for these materials. The haulers will have to be paid for by the towns. Mr. Damato would like to return at a future meeting for more discussion.

New Business

A) Discussion & Action on Readsboro Hometown Redevelopment Inc. Letter of Support

Helyn read the purpose for the letter of support.

Ted moved to sign the letter of support for the Readsboro Hometown Redevelopment Inc. Ted seconded. So voted.

Helyn signed the letter.

B) Discussion & Action on WSWD Solar Project Letter of Support

Helyn read the purpose for the letter of support.

David moved to sign the letter of support for the WSWD Solar Project. Ted seconded. So voted. The Selectboard signed the letter.

C) Discussion & Action on Overweight Permit

Ted presented three Overweight Permits for signature; Renaud Brothers, Inc., Valley Crane and McCullough Crushing.

David moved to sign the Overweight Permits for Renaud Brothers, Inc., Valley Crane and McCullough Crushing. Helyn seconded. So voted.

D) Discussion & Action on Resignation of Delinquent Tax Collector

A letter of resignation was received from Michele Farrance as the Delinquent Tax Collector.

Helyn moved to accept the resignation and the position will be put out as an employment opportunity. David seconded. After brief discussion David rescinded his second. No vote taken. There was discussion as to how the acceptance of resignation tonight might affect how the job is covered.

Ted moved to accept Michele Farrance as according to the indication in the letter and when a replacement is found.. Helyn seconded. So voted.

E) Review of Revised Capital Budget Plan

A revised Capital Budget Plan was presented to the Selectboard. They reviewed the changes.

F) Discussion & Action on Zoning File Records Review

Helyn had Rebecca Stone contact VLCT asking questions as to what her responsibilities are to former Zoning Administrator's decisions. Until she hears back regarding this, she is not ready to discuss decisions that the former Zoning Administrators made. Helyn explained how and what information from a former Zoning Administrator, was transferred to her.

John Whitman asked to address what he feels is wrong in the files. He presented an information packet that he brought to the meeting. Helyn asked that she and Ted have time to read the information they received and respond at next week's meeting.

Helyn moved to table what John Whitman gave out for presentation for problems with ongoing issues with Readsboro's zoning that the Selectboard would like to read before responding and put the item on the agenda for next week; Ted seconded. So voted

Hearing of Visitors

None

Executive Session: Evaluation of Employee, 1 § V.S.A. 313(3)(a)(3)

Helyn moved to go into executive session at 7:45 p.m. in accordance with Evaluation of Employee, 1 § V.S.A. 313(3)(a)(3) Ted seconded. So voted.

Ted moved to come out of executive session at 8:07 p.m. David seconded. So voted.

The Selectboard finalized and signed an evaluation.

Helyn presented the Selectboard with two letters received from community members.

Fiscal Matters:

Board reviewed mail & signed warrants.

David moved to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Helyn seconded. So voted. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Calnan, Selectboard Clerk

February 22, 2017

Approved by Teddy Hopkins acting Selectboard Clerk 3-1-17