

**Town of Readsboro, Vermont
Selectboard Regular Meeting
Readsboro Town Office
October 24, 2018 @ 6:30 pm**

Attendance: Helyn Strom Henriksen, Joseph Berard, Amber Holland, Richard Van Guilder, Gary Ross, Adam Codogni, David Marchegiani, Normajeon Marchegiani, John Horne, Larry Hopkins, Carl Marchegiani, Ted Hopkins, Ray Eilers, Jim Dassati

Call to Order

Agenda Additions/Deletions Approval of Agenda

Helyn made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Joseph seconded. So voted

Reading & Approval of Records:

Helyn made a motion to accept the minutes of previous Regular Meeting of 10-17-18 as corrected. David seconded. So voted.

Fiscal Matters:

Review of Budget Status Report

Board reviewed the report. David asked questions regarding a breakout of what portion of the incoming tax was education tax. Amber informed him the software doesn't track that information.

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) Updates

Helyn noted that there is a sidewalk meeting tomorrow. She feels the project is near completion. Adam Codogni asked if the donation the contractor has promised to the Fire Department for the use of their equipment could be addressed.

Old Business:

A) Signing of Tax Sale List

Ted Hopkins Delinquent Tax Collector requested the Town sign the letter for Attorney O'Toole stating that they will enter the minimum bid on the properties listed. David questioned if the Town wanted to enter the minimum bid on all the properties, Ted noted that the Board had previously discussed and approved putting the minimum bid on the properties listed. Helyn made a motion to sign the letter for Attorney O'Toole of the list of properties the Town would enter the minimum bid on. David seconded. So voted.

New Business & Communications:

A) Set dates for November meetings- Discussion & Action

Helyn made a motion to meet every Wednesday night at 6:30 pm for the month of November unless otherwise posted. Joseph seconded. So voted.

B) Living History Association – Walking Tour – Discussion & Action

Jim Dassatti provided the Board with a packet of information detailing what the tour from Dover to Readsboro would look like and what he is requesting from the Board. Item will be put back on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss if the Board would like to offer a letter of support for grant purposes.

Hearing of Visitors

Raymond Eilers asked if the no parking sign in front of the Readsboro Inn was going to be replaced. Board stated it would be addressed at the sidewalk meeting on Thursday. Raymond also asked for a final amount for the sidewalk project and the paving on Bailey Hill. He was told neither amount was available yet.

Larry Hopkins asked the Board to address parking at the corner of Tunnel and Main Streets across from the Readsboro Inn.

Larry Hopkins asked when Helyn had been appointed to the Planning Commission as he noticed in the last minutes that she had made motions at the last meeting. Helyn stated she is there as Zoning Administrator and had volunteered because they needed members. Larry stated that the Zoning Administrator holds no voting power and all appointments to the Planning Commission are supposed to be done by the Selectboard. Helyn noted his concerns.

Larry Hopkins asked about the re-writing of the job description that was discussed a couple of weeks ago. Helyn stated it was not a re-writing of a job description, it was restructuring based on a reported disability. Larry asked how that effected hours and scheduling. Helyn noted the hours would be reduced by three hours a month.

Lastly Larry Hopkins asked about the NEMRC monthly billing. He was informed that Karen had been in training all week and nobody had checked her email, someone would get back to him tomorrow.

Richard Van Guilder of Bonnie View Lane gave a brief history of his family's ties to Readsboro and how he believed Bonnie View became a Town maintained road. He stated that if the Town chose to discontinue the Road he would prefer that the Town take the option of giving that land back to the landowner rather than making it a trail.

John Horne asked if the Board had received his letter regarding the gifting of property in Alpenwald. The Board stated they had not yet received it, but would address it when it was received.

Executive Session If Needed: VSA 313 (1) (A) – E-Barn

Helyn made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the E-Barn condition and contract. David seconded. So voted. Fire Chief Adam Codogni was asked to participate in the discussion. Adam left executive session at 7:14.

David Marchegiani reported to the Clerk that a motion was made in executive session at 7:15 by Helyn and seconded by Joseph to enter into a second executive session for employee negotiations. David, Helyn and Joseph were present. Board exited executive session at 7:25 pm

The Board stated they would be re-writing the E-Barn contract with the last one having been signed in 2005 with no expiration date and meet with the employee regarding the second executive session in two weeks.

Fiscal Matters:

- A) Signing of Selectboard orders/bills
- B) Budget work session – tabled until next meeting.

Adjournment:

Helyn made a motion to adjourn at 7:41. Joseph seconded. So voted

Respectfully Submitted
Amber Holland
Town Clerk
Acting SB Clerk