

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, January 22, 2015

ATTENDANCE:

Present were select board members Pieter van Loon, chair; Andy Reichsman and Tyler Gibbons; Linda Peters, Town Treasurer; Hal Himmelstein, Hogback Preservation Commission, chair; and Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting came to order at 5:04 PM.

IDENTIFY ANY CHANGES TO AGENDA:

There were no changes made to the agenda.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS:

No member of the public was present during the unscheduled open public comment period.

The board approved and signed pay orders.

The board voted (Reichsman/Gibbons) to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of 01/08/2015.

The board finalized the FY 2015 Town Budget with Linda Peters. The board finalized and signed the Town Meeting Warning.

Hal Himmelstein offered suggestions for candidates to fill upcoming vacancies on the Hogback Preservation Commission (HPC). He indicated he will accept another term on the commission but does not want to continue as chair. He will help with the transition of a chair to be elected then may resign before the end of his term. Hal also said the HPC was calling a special meeting at the end of the month to clarify the roles of the HPC and the Hogback Mountain Conservation Association and to discuss the duties of the proposed intern.

Hal also brought to the board a question of whether to change the composition of the board as indicated in the Rules of Procedure. According to the HPC Rules of Procedure, the HPC is composed of seven members, at least five of whom are Marlboro residents. He suggested the composition be changed to reduce the number of Marlboro residents and allow more members from other towns. After discussion, the select board suggested the composition be left as is and the Rules of Procedure remain unchanged. One reason was to avoid a potential situation of a quorum of members composed of out-of-town residents.

After Hal left there was a little more discussion. Piet will send Hal an email indicating the HPC budget had not been approved and asking Hal for more information about the proposed intern position.

OLD BUSINESS:

The board discussed the content and format of the Broadband Internet Access Survey and approved the survey. Ty will follow up with Bill Esses and talk with the Editor of the Mixer, Robin MacArthur, to convey formatting preferences of the survey to be included in the next issue...

NEW BUSINESS

The board signed the Annual Certificate of Highway Mileage. There were no changes.

The board voted (Reichsman/Gibbons) to sign the Rescue, Inc Contract for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Services.

There was brief acknowledgement of the All Electric Final Project Documentation and Incentive Request Form that Piet would sign and return to Gary MacArthur. This applies to the solar panels on the Town Garage roof. The board voted (Reichsman/Gibbons) to authorize Piet to discuss the completion of the forms with Gary and submit the documents on another day to the Vermont Small Scale Renewable Energy Incentive Program.

Pieter signed the Second Quarter EPZ Emergency Management Director FY 15 RERP Responsibilities Checklist which will be forwarded to the Vermont Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. Andy said he would make a copy available to the file.

The board discussed the letter from Terri St. Onge about her accident at Augur Hole Road and Higley Hill Road. Arrangements will be made to talk with David Elliott about it the next time he is at a select board meeting.

Reichsman/Gibbons approved the Liquor License Renewal Application for the Colonel Williams Inn.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

There were no information items or mail to come before the board.

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia L. Hamilton, Select Board Assistant