

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, March 22, 2018

ATTENDANCE: Present were select board members Patti Smith, Chair, Tyler Gibbons, Vice Chair and Jesse Kreitzer, Member (arrived at 5:30pm). Also present were Tom Groves, Long View Forest Woodland Services Foreman/Botanist; Piet Van Loon, Conservation Commission Member; Wayne Estey, Visitor; Lauren MacArthur, Select Board Assistant-in-Training and Marcia Hamilton, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER: Patti Smith, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM on Thursday, March 22, 2018

CHANGES TO AGENDA:

- Tom Groves to speak first
- Liquor License from Colonel Williams Inn submitted after agenda had been written (to be added to **New Business**)

SCHEDULED BUSINESS: No unscheduled public comment.

APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE OF PAY ORDERS: The Pay Orders were approved and signed.

Tom Groves spoke about the Town Garage Japanese Knotweed follow-up treatment. There are 4 or 5 patches behind the Town Garage that were treated in September. Long View recommends at least 3 years of follow-up; the cost is usually about half each subsequent year. The Select Board agreed that treatment should continue at Town Garage site. There will be no cutting this year, but there will be another treatment in September. (Tom will contact Dave Elliott before treatment in September and will send bill to town.)

Long View also treated the Historical Society property (paid for by the Historical Society).

The Conservation Commission has been discussing this because the state is going to require that town emergency management plans include knotweed. (Japanese Knotweed creates emergency situations by destabilizing banks of river and harming riparian habitats.)

The Select Board voted to accept minutes of the last regular meeting of 03/09/18 (Smith/Gibbons).

The Select Board voted to accept minutes from the special meeting of 03/21/18 (Gibbons/Kreitzer).

Peggy Tiffany, Animal Control Officer, was unable to attend tonight's meeting and will come to next meeting.

The Select Board signed an Excess Weight Permit for Derrig Excavating, Inc., Putney. The Select Board is waiting for a check and certificate of insurance to complete this permit process.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Select Board reviewed and signed a letter to Representative Emily Long, and Senators Becca Balint, and Jeanette White regarding the advisory vote taken at Town Meeting to urge the legislature to make Town Meeting Day a paid holiday in Vermont. (It is already a paid holiday in Marlboro.)

Tyler Gibbons spoke about the Radar Speed Feedback Signs. The State approves of putting the radar speed signs at the school. Another speed test is not necessary. The test done previously (when the speed limit was lowered) will be accepted. The State will not accept specs of signs that the Town had been prepared to buy. Requirements include: 1) No wordage 2) no colors besides amber 3) specific size of speed field 4) sign needs to be paired with an existing speed limit sign. The plan is to place the radar speed feedback sign next to the existing speed limit sign. Jesse Kreitzer will research an appropriate model to meet the sign requirements. The Select Board is coordinating with the MES School Board on this matter.

The Select Board discussed the sorting of recycling material and advised that townspeople continue to recycle into designated bins.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments of Certain Town Officials:

The select board voted (Kreitzer, Gibbons) to make the following appointments:

Matthew Tell, Development Review Board Alternate (1 year to 2019)

Bennett Grout, Development Review Board Alternate (1 year to 2019)

Matthew Tell, Planning Commission (4 years to 2022)

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Edith Mas, Windham Regional Commission (1 year to 2019)

Tony Gordon reported as representative from the Windham Solid Waste Management District. The Select Board encouraged Tony to report to them every 6 months as Windham Solid Waste Management District Representative.

The Select Board approved and signed the Colonel Williams Inn Liquor License Renewal Application.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

None

ADJOURN:

The meeting adjourned at 6:35pm (Kreitzer, Smith)

Respectfully Submitted,
Lauren MacArthur, Select Board Assistant-in-Training