

TOWN OF MARLBORO
REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, September 13, 2018
5:00 PM

ATTENDANCE: Present were Select Board members Patti Smith, Chair, Tyler Gibbons, Vice-Chair, Jesse Kreitzer, Member. Also present were Edie Mas, Planning Commission Member; Andrew Richardson, New Road Crew Member; Lauren MacArthur, Select Board Assistant.

CALL TO ORDER: Patti Smith, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

CHANGES TO AGENDA

Andrew Richardson will meet with the Select Board at 5:30pm.

There was no unscheduled public comment.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

Edie Mas reported from the Planning Commission about a project idea for the Municipal Planning Grant offered through the State of Vermont's Department of Housing and Development. (Planning for village wastewater is one of the priorities for the grant program this year.) As some background, when the Town Park was purchased, the land passed a perc test and a future wastewater site there was considered. The Planning Commission would like to use the grant money to hire an engineer to help look into options and help plan a village wastewater system, considering needs of the new Community Center and aging septic systems at private residences in the village area. There is a 10% match required for the grant. (The Select Board will check in with Linda Peters about an appropriate amount of money to request for the grant.) The Planning Commission recommends applying for this grant. The Select Board resolved that the Planning Commission move forward with the Municipal Planning Grant to begin the process of investigating a village wastewater system in Marlboro. (Smith, Kreitzer)

Andrew Richardson was officially welcomed by the Select Board as the new Town Road Crew Member.

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Select Board approved minutes from the 8/23/18 regular Select Board meeting. (Gibbons, Kreitzer)

OLD BUSINESS:

The Select Board checked in regarding the new Emergency Management Director and new Road Crew Member positions.

The Municipal Roads General Permit was issued to the Town of Marlboro by the State of Vermont. The Select Board reviewed the grant approval letter and the timeline for reporting and project completion.

The Select Board reviewed suggestions for road improvement projects identified by the Windham Regional Commission and Road Foreman to meet Grants in Aid project requirements. Projects were identified on Lower Dover and Stratton Hill Roads to improve structure related to water drainage and stormwater runoff.

The Select Board discussed the septic issue on Augur Hole Road.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Select Board considered participation in the Vermont Statewide Catastrophic Exercise. The Select Board will ask Aaron Walsh, Emergency Management Director, to look into this further.

A resident requested reimbursement for tire repairs due to tire damage possibly caused by new gravel spread on Lahar Road. As there is no precedent for this kind of action, and no documentation of a specific incident, the Select Board declined to provide this reimbursement.

INFORMATION ITEMS AND MAIL:

National Grid contacted Jesse to assess road maintenance on Hogback. He has put them in touch with Hogback Preservation Commission.

The Select Board reviewed the Animal Control Officer's August incident log.

The Select Board discussed a suggestion from a town resident for putting up a white board in the town center to record information about break-ins.

Lauren updated the Select Board about changes that have been made and will be made to the town website, including some reorganization of material, in hopes to make the site more user-friendly. Tyler has been in touch with Jacob Smith, who is willing to help with some redesign work in the future.

Tyler reported that the Community Center has DSL, approximately 40 MB download and 10 MB upload, through Consolidated Communications. This internet is free and open to the public.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35pm.

