

Minutes
TOWN OF MARLBORO
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, September 10, 2020
5pm via Zoom Teleconference

ATTENDANCE: Present: *In attendance via Zoom, due to COVID-19 precautions:* Jesse Kreitzer, Select Board Chair; Julia von Ranson, Vice Chair; Aaron Betts, Member; Pam Burke, Select Board Assistant; David Elliot & Andrew Richardson, Road Crew; Lauren Poster, Chair of the Community Center; Lissa Weinmann, Head of the Word of Brattleboro Project; Marcia Hamilton, Marlboro Meeting House; Amy Tudor

CALL TO ORDER: Jesse Kreitzer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm.

The minutes of the Regular Meeting Of 8/27/20 were approved (Kreitzer, Von Ranson) and pay orders signed at the town office.

The Marlboro Public Records Inspection, Copying, and Transmission Policy was revised and approved (contingent upon attorney's review). (Kreitzer, VonRanson)

Community Center Grant Application

Lauren Poster Marlboro, Chair of the Community Center, shared information about a municipal grant the Marlboro Community Center Board is applying for to pay for a new HVAC and heating system for the Meeting House. This will allow the Community Center to accommodate a number of requests from families to expand access and programming. The Marlboro Alliance would be the nonprofit fiscal sponsor of the project. The Select Board and town would not be contributing financially to the project, and costs would be covered solely by the grant and the Alliance. The grant needs to be applied for before September 25 and there needs to be an opportunity for public comment through a hearing. The grant stipulates the hearing needs to be warned by the 17th and the meeting hosted no later than the 20th. The Select Board motioned to support the Community Center's application to secure the grant and it was approved. (Kreitzer, Betts)

The Select Board will open the application using their account so the grant applicants can work on the application and it was approved. (Kreitzer, Betts)

The hearing was scheduled on Sept 17 at 5pm via Zoom. The meeting will be warned by the 15th.

Village Center Pedestrian Safety

Dave Elliott said the center has the lowest speed limit in town at 25 mph. He doesn't recommend speed bumps because he believes the town would be liable for any damage to cars that drive over them. Dave will look into that further. There used to be stop signs in the center of town, but they were removed, and replaced with yield signs. Jesse will be having a site visit with Windham County Sheriff Mark Anderson on October 20 and will discuss ideas with him. There was some discussion

about installing spherical mirrors, yield signs, and enforcement.

Animal Rescue Fund Policy revisions

Due to requests of financial support for animal surgeries from townspeople, the existing ARF policy was revised to include the following:

When there are excess funds, emergency cases will be evaluated on a case by case basis, as determined by the ARF administrator. (Kreitzer, Von Ranson)

Facilities Request for Tasha Tudor audio installation at Muster Field as part of the Brattleboro Words Trail

Lissa Weinmann, Head of the Brattleboro Words Project, spoke to the project and the proposed location at Muster Field. The trail will be promoted in the spring. There was some discussion about potential liabilities, limited parking, and possibly choosing a more accessible location. Amy Tudor & Lissa will let the Select Board know if they choose a new location and speak to the Folklife Center about drafting a lease addendum if she decides to pursue the Muster Field location.

Townwide Municipal Services Survey

Jesse will send a reminder to the municipal staff, appointees, boards, and committees on October 5 requesting materials by October 19.

Information Items And Mail

Email from Chris Tomberg, Environmental Analyst re: Marlboro Heights Stormwater Permit(s)

The landowner was notified by the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation's Watershed Management Division that they are not in compliance and that they need to file additional permits. The Select Board awaits the State's direction.

Email from Lieutenant Anthony French, Station Commander, Vermont State Police seeking feedback

[A press release from the Governor's office states that](#) Governor Phil Scott [has signed an executive order](#) to accelerate a series of reforms and modernizations of public safety services in Vermont, and to initiate a comprehensive, ongoing discussion with state residents—especially historically marginalized communities—about how law enforcement can best serve communities' needs.

The Select Board has received a letter from Lieutenant Anthony French, Station Commander, Vermont State Police seeking feedback on their work with the town. (The letter is linked to the Select Board website.) There was some discussion of what the Lieutenant was asking for in his letter and how to best go about soliciting response from the townspeople. The Select Board will invite the public to the next meeting during public comment time and compile responses to send to the State Police.

Town Informational Virtual Meeting for Select Boards

The Select Board received an invitation from Rescue Inc to their Town Informational Virtual Meeting for Select Boards on Thursday September 17, 2020 6:00 pm. The Select Board will ask Jay Sparks to attend and report back.

AOT Route 9 Corridor Management Plan Partners Meeting

The Select Board acknowledges receipt. The project website has presentation items and a portal for public comment

:<https://vtrans.vermont.gov/planning/projects-programs/corridor-management/vt9-Bennington-Brattleboro>

Windham County Sheriff's FY 2020-21 Contract for Law Enforcement Services

The Select Board acknowledges receipt.

Adjourn 6:50pm