

Minutes

Town Of Marlboro Regular Select Board Meeting

Thursday, February 10, 2022, 6pm Via Zoom Online

Present: Julia von Ranson, Select Board Chair; Aaron Betts, Select Board Co-Chair; Jim Agate, Select Board Member; Nick Morgan, Select Board Assistant; David Elliot, Road Crew Supervisor; Forrest Holzapfel, Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Scheduled Business

Identify Any Changes To Agenda: Approval of liquor license renewal for Hogback Mountain Gift Shop

6:00 – 6:10 Unscheduled Open Public Comment – David Elliot (see below)

6:10 Approval of Minutes from January 27, 2021 – moved (von Ranson, Betts)

Passed Unanimously

Signature of Pay Orders – Approved (von Ranson/Betts) – Passed Unanimously

New Business

Update on employment search for additional Road Crew Member.

David Elliot provided an update on the search for a fourth Road Crew member. Due to various circumstances including weather events and scheduling, David, while having spoken with candidates via phone, has not yet been able to hold face to face pre-interview with candidate. David expressed that he should be in touch with candidates in the near future and move the process forward, targeting March 1st as a deadline to provide Board with list of candidates to bring in for interviews.

David also used the opportunity to note for the Board that the Road Crew is currently testing a set of Grizzly Bars for use in road maintenance and handling of the dirt and sand. David requested approval from the Board for \$1,000 to purchase the Grizzly should the test period indicate its functionality.

Motion: Approve \$1,000 expenditure by Road Crew for set of Grizzly Bars per request from David Elliot. (von Ranson/Betts) – Passed unanimously.

Letter from Sheriff Mark Anderson on Fair & Impartial Policing

The Sheriff has published and sent hard copy of a letter on his department's take on Fair & Impartial Policing, an issue that is on the Town Meeting Ballot for 2022. As the issue is well defined on the ballot, the sense of the Board was there was no need for further need for discussion.

Information from Forrest on 55 Acres of Land up for sale

Earlier in 2021, a company inquired on the purchase of a 55-acre parcel of town-owned land. After the regulatory public notice and time frame, the purchase was approved, however the company has never moved forward. In the meantime, a land-owner adjacent to this parcel has expressed interest in the full 55-acre parcel for the \$50,000 price tag. At this time, Forrest came to the Board to request approval to begin the process to proceed with this sale to the abutting landowner.

Motion: Approve the 30-day warning process for the sale of 55-acres to Nicholas D. and Poulia Kotsakis. (von Ranson/Betts) – Passed unanimously.

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2022 – TA 60 Highway Grant

The process for the 2022 TA Highway Grant is underway and David Elliot has information and will work with the Board to review the Grants and see what the Town can apply for.

Information from Green Mountain Power on Construction

Green Mountain Power has provided information on their continued work on fortifying the power lines along Old Hogback Road. The work has been ongoing and is refurbishment and does not increase the footprint or increase impact on the area. No Board action required at this time.

Old Business

Update on employment search for additional Road Crew Member – See above discussion.

Reminder of informational Select Board Meeting on 2/24/22 to review Town Meeting Ballot

A reminder for the Board of the nature of the next Board meeting, fulfilling the Town Meeting Informational Pre-Meeting. Julia requested Nick to double check with Forrest and Steven John as to whether the presence of the “moderator” is need for the meeting and to facilitate if needed.

Official approval of Town Administrator hire

The Board announced the hire of Nicholas Morgan (current Assistant to the Select Board) to take on the additional role as Town Administrator.

Adjourned: 6:37