

Town of Mendon

Selectboard

August 28, 2017

Members of the Selectboard present: Richard Wilcox, Geoff Wells, Scott Bradley

Town Officers and employees present: Sara Tully, Town Administrator, Bill Ellis, Road Commissioner, Phil Douglas, Constable

Residents and Visitors present: Justin Lindholm, Kate Wanner, Trust for Public Land, Chris Mattrick, Green Mountain National Forest, Fran and Joyce McGinnis

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at the Town Office.

Additions/deletions to the Agenda: Motion by R. Wilcox to add Dog Complaint and delete Building Use and Personnel Issue on the agenda. Seconded by G. Wells. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

The Selectboard Meeting on September 11, 2017 has been rescheduled to start at 9 AM at the Town Office instead of 5:30 PM to allow the Planning Commission to meet at 5:15 PM.

August 28, 2017 marks the sixth anniversary of Tropical Storm Irene. We are thankful to all those that came to assist our community and are proud of how our community came together, neighbor helping neighbor.

Administrative Matters

Selectmen's Orders approved and signed.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by G. Wells to approve the minutes of 8/14/17. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Business:

Chittenden Mendon Shelter Plan Memo of Understanding Motion by R. Wilcox to approve the Chittenden Mendon Shelter Plan Memo of Understanding. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Rolston Rest C. Mattrick and K. Wanner discussed the Contingent Right of Way Easement and release of Rights that would allow the use of the A. Johnson road to be used for emergency purposes. The Selectboard had submitted a number of suggested and changes and these were discussed and solutions agreed upon. K. Wanner will have the changes be made and resubmit to the Selectboard.

Garage Improvement Project B. Ellis, S. Tully and S. Bradley attended the mandatory site visit for contractors bidding on the repair work to the cement floor at the Town Garage. Two contractors

attended the site visit and both recommended a different scope of work to repair the damaged floor. In lieu of this information S. Tully requested that we cancelled the bid opening scheduled for 9/6/17 until further research by B. Ellis and S. Bradley can be done to determine the best course of action for the town. The Selectboard agreed and the bid opening will be cancelled. S. Tully will contact the contractors that attended the mandatory site visit.

Animal Control Complaint The Selectboard reviewed a report from Rod MacCuaig summarizing a dog bite complaint he investigated between two dogs owned by Chad Galiano and Rebecca Day. The report from the veterinarian did not specify whether the injuries to the Galiano dog were in fact a dog bite. The Selectboard would like Rod to follow up with the veterinarian as to what caused the injuries to the Galiano's dog.

Overweight Permits Fran and Joyce McGinnis addressed the Selectboard to discuss a logging issue that occurred on their property on Wheelerville Road. Questions arose regarding the Town's seasonal posting of weight limits and the Town's issuance of Overweight Permits. B. Ellis explained his seasonal posting of the road. S. Tully explained the process of obtaining, approving and retaining Overweight Permits.

Economic Development Committee A letter to the owners of commercial property in Mendon will be sent by the end of the week inviting them to participate on the Economic Development Committee. An outline of potential steps for the Economic Development Committee was reviewed by the Selectboard.

There being no further business, R. Wilcox moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 8:30 PM. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Date approved _____

Richard Wilcox

Sara Tully, Selectboard Clerk

Geoff Wells

Scott Bradley