

Town of Mendon

Selectboard

September 24, 2018

Members of the Selectboard present: Richard Wilcox, Geoff Wells

Town Officers and employees present: Sara Tully, Town Administrator, Bill Ellis, Road Commissioner, Chad Galiano, Recreation Committee, Liam Fracht-Monroe, Recreation Committee.

Residents and Visitors present: None

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM at the Town Office.

Additions/deletions to the Agenda: Motion by G. Wells to add Recreation, Culvert 07-48 repairs, Backhoe Attachments, and Personnel to the agenda. Seconded by G. Wells. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcements

Special Town Meeting October 1, 2018, 6 PM, Mendon Town Office – warning can be found at www.mendonvt.org.

Administrative Matters

Selectmen's Orders approved and signed.

Minutes of Previous Meetings: G. Wells moved to approve the minutes of September 10, 2018. Motion seconded by R. Wilcox. The motion passed unanimously.

Business:

Recreation Committee The Recreation Committee submitted a proposal and cost estimates to install a basketball half court at the Recreation Area. The estimated cost is \$ 11,200. The Recreation Committee requested authorization to apply for a grant to help pay 50% of the cost. Preliminary applications are due October 15th. If the grant is not successful the Recreation Committee requested \$11,200 to be spent out of the Recreation Reserve Fund. This fund currently has a balance of \$13,000. The Selectboard discussed the need for a full court which could be on a smaller scale than regulation, but would include two hoops. This would accommodate various ages and abilities to be able to play at the same time. It was estimated a full court would cost approximately \$20,000. S. Tully will look into the parameters of the grant to see what project fits the best. The Selectboard requested a plan for the entire Recreation Area

which would include improvements and ongoing maintenance. S. Tully reminded the Recreation Committee that there are specific safety standards regarding the maintenance and replacement of playgrounds that must be followed. L. Fracht-Monroe and C. Galiano discussed the increased usage of the Recreation Area. The Barstow Youth Club is using the Recreation Area for multiple soccer teams and a flag football team to practice. The Selectboard formally asked the Recreation Committee to be in charge of scheduling the use of the Recreation Area with the various teams and special events. G. Wells suggested a concession stand be created with a shed. D. Wilcox suggested the concession stand can be achieved with tables and portable tents. The Recreation Committee will consider these ideas as part of the overall Recreation Area plan.

Special Town Meeting Presentation The Selectboard discussed the Special Town Meeting and finalized the presentation to the voters on Tax Stabilization and creating the Mendon Economic Development Fund.

Paving B. Ellis presented a quote for \$1,800 from Bendig to repair two driveway aprons on Cream Hill Road. The Selectboard discussed the invoice from Pike to reclaim and resurface Park Lane and Cream Hill and reviewed the contract. The Selectboard agreed the invoice be adjusted by \$1,780.28 for tonnage billed that exceeded 5% above agreed tonnage as specified in the contract.

07-48 Repairs S. Tully reported that to date we have not received confirmation that Richard Reed and Sons can complete repairs this construction season. The town did receive confirmation from Enman Kesselring regarding the total cost for engineering the solution.

Backhoe Attachments B. Ellis requested \$1600 to make adjustments so that the sweeper and forks fit onto the new backhoe. Motion by D. Wilcox for spend \$1,600 with TW Ferguson Corp to make adjustments to the sweeper and forks to fit the new backhoe and to be paid for out of the New Equipment Fund. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Fireworks Ordinance Review and Adoption The civil penalty section of the ordinance needs to be updated to reflect the statutory maximum amount of up to \$800. S. Tully will prepare the final draft and present to the Selectboard for adoption.

RRPC Appointment Form The Selectboard signed the RRPC Appointment Form that they appointed Larry Courcelle as the RRPC representative back in March 2018.

Old Town Hall Demolition Contract S. Tully spoke to the Selectboard regarding the timing of the project to include in the contract. A part of the regrading of the property and removal of the front porch is in the State of Vermont's right of way and requires a permit. The contractor must adhere to the requirements of this permit including erosion control measures. The Selectboard approved an end date of the contract for June 30th, 2019 to allow for the building and regrading of the property to be completed this Fall or next Spring.

Personnel Motion by G. Wells to enter Executive Session at 7: 30 PM to discuss Personnel with the Selectboard, B. Ellis and S. Tully present. Motion seconded by D. Wilcox. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion. The Chair declared the Board out of Executive Session at 7:45 PM. No action taken as a result of the discussion in Executive Session.

There being no further business, R. Wilcox moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 7:50 PM. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Date approved _____

Richard Wilcox

Sara Tully, Selectboard Clerk

Geoff Wells