

Town of Mendon

Selectboard

April 22, 2019

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

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

Visitors present: None

The Selectboard Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM at the Town Office.

Agenda: G. Wells moved to approve the agenda. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Administrative Matters

Selectmen's Orders were reviewed and signed.

Motion by R. Wilcox to appoint Mary Ann Reich, Deputy Health Officer for a term ending 3/31/2022. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

The Selectboard signed the Local Emergency Management Plan 2019 adoption form. The LEMP was adopted on 3/25/19.

Motion by S. Bradley to adopt the Mendon Road and Bridge Standards. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion. These standards are currently under review with the requirements of the Municipal Roads General Permit and will be presented for re-adoption when they are finalized. S. Tully reported that she submitted a Class 2 Roadway Grant for Meadowlake Drive and a Structures Grant for culvert 07-42 replacement on Wheelerville Road.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: G. Wells moved to approve the minutes of April 8, 2019. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Business

Flood Damage Report from 4/15/19 Rain Event S. Tully provided an outline of 4 separate projects that washed out roads, culverts and a bridge wing wall during the rain event in the early hours of 4/15/19. There continues to be high water in most streams and inspection of bridges and culverts in these areas have not occurred to date. The Highway Department didn't discover any additional projects based the rain event on 4/20/19. Mendon has reported an estimate of damages to our infrastructure at \$55,000.

07-61 Bid Review S. Tully presented the bids for replacing culvert 07-61. The bids are currently under review by Dubois & King engineers. The contract will be awarded once the engineers have reviewed the bid proposals and references have been verified.

2019 Paving Contract Rutland Town and Mendon sent out a request for bids for the 2019-2020 paving. S. Tully presented the bids for paving. The low bidder for the Town of Mendon was Fuller Sand and Gravel at \$213,387.00 to reclaim and resurface Meadowlake Drive. The Selectboard is not accepting the bid to pave a half basketball court at the Mendon Recreation Area for \$8,800. Motion by R. Wilcox to contract with Fuller Sand and Gravel for \$213,387 to reclaim and resurface Meadowlake Drive to be paid for out of the Highway Improvement Fund. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion. Rutland Town accepted Wilks Paving bid to pave all the Rutland Town roads.

Repairs 07-48 No action plan has been determined to date.

Old Stockbridge Path Water Issue The water coming off the mountain from the property located off Old Stockbridge Path has been redirected from the culvert at the Town Office to the culvert behind the former Town Shop. This building is under contract to be demolished this spring and the redirection of the water is flooding the lot as well as properties on the other side of Route 4. S. Tully reported that Seth Bridge replaced the culvert on Old Stockbridge Path near the Town Office on 4/22/19 and it appears the problem has been solved. The town will continue to monitor the water flow onto town property.

Town Plan Outline The Selectboard has reviewed the draft of the Town Plan and discussed talking points to discuss with the Planning Commission. P. Douglas reported that a new planner from the RRPC was assigned to the project. The Selectboard would like to set up a working session with the RRPC, Planning Commission and Selectboard to have a working discussion on the Town Plan. The Selectboard asked S. Tully to arrange.

VT Council on Rural Development Community Visit Program The Town had submitted a request to participate in the Community Visit Program. S. Tully reported that the Advisory Committee met to determine the work schedule for 2020 and inquired whether the town would consider a min-visit which would identify and address one or two issues for the town to work on, rather than the whole 4 month Community Visit Program. The Selectboard reiterated they prefer the full process even if they had to wait an additional year to 2021. S. Tully recommended the mini-session because at least the town would be moving in the right direction. R. Wilcox will discuss the options for the town with the VT Council on Rural Development.

Feasibility Study S. Tully reported that she has not heard back from HVS regarding the questions about the study the Selectboard had identified. She also reported the proposed project is moving forward and could be looking for tax stabilization from the town.

Town Picnic – June 8th – The Town Picnic is scheduled for June 8th at the Mendon Recreation Area from noon to 4 PM. P. Douglas will be picking up all food and supplies. He will be recruiting volunteers to help set up and tear down the event. Please contact the Town Office if you are interested in volunteering.

Rutland City Fire Calls P. Douglas continues to monitor the fire calls. No other action taken by the Selectboard.

There being no further business, R. Wilcox moved to adjourn at 7:05 PM. Motion seconded by G. Wells. Motion carried.

Date Approved _____

Richard Wilcox

Sara Tully - Clerk of the Board

Geoff Wells

Scott Bradley