



Selectboard Regular Meeting Minutes
Thetford Town Offices

Monday, November 20, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Stuart Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Selectboard Members present: James Dixon, Jessica Eaton, Stuart Rogers, Li Shen, Douglas Stone

Others present: Mary Dan Pomeroy, Nathan Maxwell (Rec Director), Jill Graff (Town Treasurer), Tracy Borst (Town Clerk), Jim Masland (State Rep), Tim Brigland (State Rep)

Community Members present: Bill Huff, Tim Brigland, Jim Masland

2018 Budget Discussion (Rec. & Treasure Island) 6:04 p.m.

Mary Dan Pomeroy (Delinquent Tax Collector) asked the Selectboard for approval for legal counsel regarding the collection of delinquent taxes.

Motion by Jessica Eaton to obtain legal counsel regarding the collection of delinquent taxes.
Seconded by Stuart Rogers. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**

The Recreation Director and Treasure Island Manager presented a budget which would bring Treasure Island under the umbrella of the Recreation Department.

The Recreation Director presented the proposed 2018 Recreation budget.

Public Comment 7:26 p.m.

Jim Masland asked the Selectboard for permission on ECFiber's behalf, to run cables under the Class 4 section of Pero Hill Road.

Motion by Jessica Eaton to give permission to ECFiber to run cables under the Class 4 section of Pero Hill Road. Seconded by James Dixon. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**



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Douglas Stone asked Jim Masland about Act 64. Jim Masland explained that Act 64 was created to help fund clean-up of Lake Champlain and the Connecticut River. Jim Masland said this was the most convenient, logical, easily accessible and administratively viable way to partially fund the clean-up.

Bill Huff expressed concerns about the Energy Committee's request to find a treasurer for their committee, as committees do not handle funds. Bill Huff was concerned about the impression that request might give to the community and committee members.

Correspondence 7:35 p.m.

The Selectboard received thank you cards from Safeline, Green-Up Vermont, Vital Communities and the Vermont Center for Independent Living for the 2017 appropriations.

The Selectboard received a notice from UVLT that the VT Housing and Conservation Board will acquire an interest in real property within the Town of Thetford. The property is 45 acres on Ely Road, owned by Richard Hodge.

The Selectboard received an email from the Thetford Energy Committee stating they will no longer pursue the Volunteer Assisted Weatherization program and will ask OCT to return money to the donors.

Douglas Stone said the Snowmobile Club contacted Pat Ross about the Turnpike South Class 4 Road stream crossing. Pat Ross said he wanted the bridge put back in with new decking. The Snowmobile Club has received all permission slips to cross the Covered Bridge on Tucker Hill Road. The DPW Foreman has been made aware of the request.

Minutes and Warrants 7:46 p.m.

#45.2 \$3675.45

#33.3F \$61845.13

#24.4 1\$20065.97



#38.1 \$43877.52

Motion by Stuart Rogers to accept the warrants as presented. Seconded by Li Shen. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**

Motion by James Dixon to accept the Regular Selectboard Meeting Minutes of November 13th, 2017, as edited. Seconded by Douglas Stone. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**

Pedestrian Project Update 7:59 p.m.

Stuart Rogers reported that an agreement was made about the Pedestrian Project design. The project cannot be delayed by another year without losing funding, and all funding to date would need to be returned. It is expected that the bid will go out between mid-January and February.

The Selectboard discussed the maintenance of the walking path between the Thetford Hill Common and Thetford Academy.

~~8:00-8:30 — Town Governance & Act 27 Discussion (Cont'd)~~

~~8:30-9:00 " " " "~~

~~9:00-9:30 — Town Offered Life Insurance Update & Options~~

9:30-9:40 Old Business

~~—2017 Working List (Completion of Items?)~~

~~—Upcoming Agendas~~

Other Business

- Annual Employee Reviews (Anticipated Executive Session)**
- Union Negotiation Update ? (Anticipated Executive Session)**
- Personnel Discussion (Anticipated Executive Session)**



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James Dixon **moved** to find that premature, general public knowledge of personnel and legal matters would clearly place the municipality involved to suffer a substantial disadvantage.

Seconded by Li Shen. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**

Motion made by James Dixon at 9:30 p.m. to discuss personnel and legal matters in an Executive Session per *Discussion of Matters as per IVSA subsection 313 paragraphs A1&3*. Seconded by Stuart Rogers. **VOTE (5-0-0)**

Motion by Stuart Rogers at 10:02 p.m. to exit Executive Session. Seconded by James Dixon. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**

Motion by Douglas Stone to approve offer of temporary on-call DPW help for winter maintenance. Seconded by James Dixon. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**

Motion by James Dixon to adjourn the Regular Selectboard Meeting at 10:04 p.m. Seconded by Stuart Rogers. **VOTE unanimous (5-0-0)**