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Selectboard Regular Meeting “Approved” Minutes

Thetford Town Offices

Monday, June 25, 2018 at 7:00 pm.

Stuart Rogers called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Selectboard Members present: Stuart Rogers, Cathee Clement, James Dixon, Li Shen, and Douglas Stone.

Community Members present: Jessica Eaton, Jim Masland, Ralph Fine

Public Comment –

Jessica Eaton asked a question regarding previous tree issues along Schoolhouse Road.

Town Service Officer Discussion (Anticipated Executive Session) –

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

Seconded by Cathee Clement. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

Motion by Stuart Rogers to enter Executive Session per 1 V.S.A. §313 (1)(B&D), at 7:16 p.m. and to invite the Town Service Officer applicant. Seconded by James Dixon.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)

Motion by Stuart Rogers to exit Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. Seconded by James Dixon.

VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)

Update w/ Rec. Director - Plans & Mission –

The Selectboard heard from, and had discussion with Nathan Maxwell, Recreation Director, regarding the need for a long term plan and mission for Treasure Island. Nathan has heard many positive remarks of the appearance of Treasure Island this year, and would like to plan some events to promote the new Treasure Island Capital Fund. But to do so, and to apply for several private recreation grants, would need a long term plan and mission statement. There was a thought offered of possibly creating an advisory committee to help with that, but was pointed out that was attempted a couple of years ago. General consensus was that this would fall to the duty of the Selectboard, with as much public input as possible.

1 **Update w/Chief Evans – Police Dept. -**

2 The Selectboard had a mid-year update and discussion with Chief Evans of the Police Dept.

3 **Request by ECFiber to adjust approach along Sawnee Bean Road –**

4 The Selectboard discussed a request by ECFiber to alter their proposed installation route along a
5 section of Sawnee Bean Road. The request involved moving the proposed underground cable to
6 follow the route of the phone line within the Town ROW, with input from Jim Masland, as
7 ECFiber representative.

8 **Motion** by Douglas Stone to approve ECFiber’s request to change the installation route along
9 that section of Sawnee Bean Road, with the conditions of a minimum depth for conduit,
10 notification of the abutting landowner along that side of the road, and notification of the change
11 to those abutters of the original route. Seconded by James Dixon. **VOTE: 4-0-1**

12 **Recycling Job Descriptions (Posting) –**

13 The Selectboard reviewed and discussed content and edits to an updated draft job description and
14 job posting for the Recycling Coordinator. Those edits will be incorporated into the draft and
15 reviewed at a later date for approval.

16 **Minutes and Warrants w/Correspondence –**

17 #13.4 \$23,819.99

18 #23.3 \$2,966.43

19 #25.1 \$23,863.50

20 **Motion** by Stuart Rogers to accept warrants as presented. Seconded by Li Shen.

21 **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

22 **Motion** by Li Shen to approve the previously edited minutes for the Monday, June 18th Regular
23 Selectboard meeting. Seconded by Douglas Stone. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

24 **State Municipal Roads General Permit (MRGP) Application –**

25 The Selectboard reviewed the MRGP application that is due to be filed with the State in July.

26 **Motion** by Douglas Stone to approve the Chair to sign the MRGP application. Seconded by
27 Cathee Clement. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

28 **Old Business –**

29 - Upcoming Agendas - Summer Schedule Reminder

30 - Review of Updates to Personnel Policy (Upcoming) –

31 Draft update to be reviewed by VLCT.

- 1 - Meeting with Planning Commission (Upcoming) –
- 2 Date still to be determined.
- 3 - Review of Town Ordinances, Policies & Processes (Upcoming)??
- 4 - Reminder of Town Manager Committee Presentation & Discussion, July 9th

5 **Other Business -**

- 6 - Recreation Scholarship Request (Anticipated Executive Session) – not available

7 **Personnel Discussion –**

8 Stuart Rogers **moved** to find that premature, general public knowledge of personnel would
9 clearly place the municipality and personnel involved to suffer a substantial disadvantage.

10 Seconded by Douglas Stone. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

11 **Motion** by Stuart Rogers to enter Executive Session at 10:36 p.m., per 1 V.S.A. §313 (1)(B&D).

12 Seconded by James Dixon. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

13 **Motion** by Cathee Clement to exit Executive Session at 11:28 p.m. Seconded by Douglas Stone.

14 **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

15 **Motion** by James Dixon to accept the life insurance proposal from Lincoln Liability, as of June,
16 2018. Seconded by Douglas Stone. **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**

17 **Motion** by James Dixon to Adjourn at 11.32 P.M. Seconded by Li Shen.

18 **VOTE: 5-0-0 (unanimous)**