

TOWN OF WEATHERSFIELD, VERMONT

SELECT BOARD

Select Board

Ascutney Fire Station

540 VT Route 131, Ascutney VT

Monday, August 2, 2021

6:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

Select Board Members Present: Joseph Jarvis
Kelly O'Brien
Paul Tillman
Michael Todd

Select Board Members Absent: David Fuller

Brandon Gulnick, Town Manager

Others Present:

John Broker-Campbell	David Gulbrandsen	Darrin Spaulding	Howard Beach
Steve Hier			

1. Call to Order

Mr. Todd called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

2. Public Hearing: 2017 Land Use Map, Definitions, and Publication of all Previously Approved Bylaws

Mr. Todd stated that this was a continuation of a public hearing that was opened at the last Select Board meeting on July 19th.

There were many questions raised about the hearing notice and the availability of the documents containing the proposed changes. Specific questions were also raised about:

- the Conservation Commission being authorized to add conditions to permits;
- home-based businesses that might conflict with the underlying zoning; and
- the definition of "Inn/Small Hotel" and how its change could bring unanticipated changes to the Village zoning districts.

Due to the volume and nature of questions raised, the Board decided to close the hearing without making any decisions.

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Motion: To close hearing with no decision.

Made by: Mr. Tillman **Second:** Mr. Jarvis

Vote: All in favor

3. Comments from Select Board and Town Manager and Citizens on Topics not on the Agenda

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Mr. Tillman thanked Ascutney Fire Chief Darrin Spaulding for hosting this meeting in his station.

Town Manager

Mr. Gulnick was not present at this point in the meeting.

Citizens

No comments.

4. Review minutes from previous meetings – 7/19/2021

The minutes of the July 19th meeting were not available for this meeting.

Motion: To move to next meeting

Made by: Mr. Tillman **Second:** Ms. O'Brien

Vote: All in favor

5. Personnel Policy Discussion (continued from July 19)

Due to the Town Manager's absence, the Board chose to table this discussion to the next meeting.

Motion: To table to the next meeting

Made by: Mr. Jarvis **Second:** Mr. Tillman

Vote: All in favor

6. Work-At-Home Policy (continued from July 19)

Due to the Town Manager's absence, the Board chose to table this discussion to the next meeting.

Motion: To table to the next meeting

Made by: Mr. Jarvis **Second:** Mr. Tillman

Vote: All in favor

7. Proposed future agenda items

- Radios (DPW request)
- Personnel Policy

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- Work-At-Home Policy

(Mr. Gulnick joined the meeting remotely at this point.)

8. Approve Warrants

Motion: To approve the warrants for 8/2/2021 as follow:

General Funds	Operating Expenses	\$45,762.49
	Payroll	\$16,353.37
Highway Fund	Operating Expenses	\$33,334.24
	Payroll	\$6,522.32
Solid Waste Management Fund	Operating Expenses	\$8,259.51
	Payroll	\$1,561.43
Library	Operating Expenses	\$0.00
	Payroll	\$1,985.00
Grand Totals	Operating Expenses	\$87,356.24
	Payroll	\$26,422.12

Made by: Mr. Tillman **Second:** Ms. O'Brien

Ms. O'Brien raised a question about the cost of uniforms. Ms. Terrill explained the expense was for a new bullet-proof vest for one of the police officers. What was thought to be a second entry for uniforms was actually an insurance expense.

Vote: All in favor

9. Any Other Business

Mr. Todd received a letter from Sara DeGennaro requesting a lowering of the speed limit on Route 5 in the Bow. The consensus of the Board was to give local law enforcement a chance to solve the problem before moving forward with a speed limit change.

10. Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn the meeting

Made by: Mr. Tillman **Second:** Mr. Jarvis

Vote: All in favor

The meeting adjourned at 7:33PM.

Respectfully submitted,
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David Fuller, Chairperson

Joseph Jarvis, Selector

Kelly O'Brien, Clerk

Paul Tillman, Selector

Michael Todd, Vice- Chairperson