

Town of Craftsbury Selectboard Minutes

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November 19, 2019

Agenda

- Approve the minutes of the last meeting
- Green Mountain Power Letter
- Broadband Advocates
- Devin Small Land
- Bridge 35 Discussion
- Road & Bridge Standards
- Conservation Fund Discussion
- Insurance Numbers for Property/Casualty & WC
- Committee Reports & Appointees
- Road Foreman's Report
- Clerk Report
- Other Business Walk-ins That Have Business to Come Before the Selectboard
- Other

The Selectboard met at the Craftsbury Town Hall Tuesday, November 19, 2019 at 7 PM. Selectboard present were Bruce Urie, Jim Jones and Susan Houston. Michelle Warren (Selectboard Clerk), June Cook (Hardwick Gazette), Rudy Chase, Tyler Billingsley, Dave Stoner and Katherine Sims were also present.

Approve Minutes Last Meeting:

Jim a motion to approve the September October 29, 2019 minutes as printed, seconded and approved.

Green Mountain Power Letter:

Green Mountain Power sent the Selectboard a status report for the Aircraft Detection Lighting System.

Broadband Advocates Communications Union District:

Dave, Katherine and Rudy dropped off a proposal for the March 2020 Town Meeting Warning. They just need to confirm the correct name for the organization later. They emphasized that there would be no cost to the town, no liabilities to towns, no cost to the taxpayer and no risk. If Craftsbury partakes of this, it will help Craftsbury obtain grants for broadband in the future. The preliminary wording is "Shall the Town of Craftsbury enter into a Communications Union District to be known as NEK Community Fiber, under the provisions of 30 V.S.A. Ch82?"

Susan made a motion to accept the Broadband Advocacy wording to be put on the Craftsbury Town Warning. Seconded and approved.

Devin Small Land:

Devin was absent. The Selectboard will discuss at the next meeting.

Bridge 35 Discussion

The Selectboard discussed the Village bridge #35 with Tyler. He will work on honing in the design to get a more detailed quote and will send over some lighting samples. Tyler mentioned that the bridge will need to be legally wider, and the sidewalk too. Bruce will need to work on getting the 1% interest grant as well. The Selectboard will be planning an informational meeting in February, an Australian ballet in March.

Conservation Fund:

The Selectboard commended the Conservation Commission for a well thought out conservation fund. **Susan made a motion to approve the Conservation Commission fund guidance document. Seconded and approved.**

Numbers for Property/Casualty & WC:

Bruce said that insurance costs were down about 3%.

Committee Reports & Appointees

The Selectboard discussed a letter from the Road Safety group, listing accomplishments this year, proposal for next year and other concerns. The Selectboard would like the group to study the speed where they propose to put the blinking traffic signs for data.

Susan handed out the Mental Health Resource booklet that the group created and said she would be handing a copy to the stores and library.

Road Foreman Report:

The town crew has been busy with cleanup for the Oct. 31st storm and also plowing.

Clerk Report:

Bruce said Yvette had been busy with tax payments.

Walk-ins That Have Business to Come Before the Selectboard:

None

Other:

None

The Selectboard Meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM. Next Selectboard Meeting is Tuesday, December 3, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Warren, Clerk of the Select Board