

Town of Craftsbury Selectboard Minutes

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Tuesday, September 15, 2020

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING

- Approval of Minutes
- Hilary Maynard by Zoom-ideas for racial justice dialogue and Equity Committee
- Alex Jump - Restorative Justice
- Favor Ellis by Zoom- Sterling College updates
- Sign 4C's Discharge
- Trick or Trunk-Jodi Smith
- Discussion of Use of Common
- Committee Reports & Appointees
- Road Foreman's Report
- Clerk Report
- Walk-ins that have business to come before the Select Board
Penelope Doherty
- Other Business
 - Follow up - Coburn Hill Signage- William Quinn Request
 - Follow up-Gravel for Scott's Lane - Jay Wright Request
 - Follow up- Padlock A & U Trailer
 - Follow up - Speed Concerns Lake Road
 - Follow up-Events on Common Protocol
 - Common Wedding Moved Other Venue Oct. 10
 - Next regular meeting date

The Selectboard met at Craftsbury Town Hall 7 PM on Tuesday, September 15, 2020. Selectboard present were Bruce Urie, Jim Jones and Susan Houston. Penelope Doherty, Rudy Chase, Brian Machesney, Julian Sharp, Alex Jump, Susan Cherry, and Michelle Warren (Selectboard Clerk), were also present.

Present via Zoom: Linda Ramsdell, Favor Ellis, Lily Dunbar, Emily Maclure, Hilary Maynard, Sung-Hee Chung, John Zaber & Farley Brown

Approval of Minutes:

Jim made motion to approved the minutes of September 1, 2020 with one correction.

Seconded and approved.

Hilary Maynard by Zoom-ideas for racial justice dialogue and Equity Committee:

The Selectboard met with Hilary Maynard via Zoom. She emphasized the need for training and explained the assistance a paid consultant such as Wheelock Mountain Farm could offer. She felt that building an equity committee is different than asking for volunteers. Hilary

emphasized care, dignity and belonging, listening to stories and learning from one another. 2 questions she asked, what do you need to support it and what are you wondering about. Jim wondered what the next step would be. Hilary recommends having a one Selectboard present for accountability, hiring a consultant, have people of color on the team, asked by invitation. Rudy invited Hilary to the next CET scheduled September 23, 2020 and she accepted.

Rudy commented that building a team, building a process, has to be deliberate, not rushed. Bruce said he has felt rushed to make equity decisions and would prefer to be more deliberate. Hilary agreed.

Alex Jump - Restorative Justice:

Susan Cherry explained the process of Restorative Justice, giving a chance to repair damage/hurt and to find out what is needed to repair. A community panel hears from the person harmed and they decide what is needed to fix the person harmed. This process is 3x more successful than using the department of justice. Susan introduced Alex Jump, the Restorative Justice Coordinator in the Hardwick area. There are 2 types of community volunteering. One is once a month for an hour for a few months. The second is once a week for an hour, for a full year. Training is provided by Restorative Justice.

Favor Ellis by Zoom- Sterling College updates:

Favor updated the Selectboard with the Covid-19 testing of students at Sterling College. Out of 113 students, 75 have tested negative twice, 38 students have tested negative once but will be tested again Thursday. The results will be returned in 3-7 days.

Sign 4C's Discharge:

The Selectboard made a motion to sign the 4C's discharge, seconded and approved. Bruce explained there were two separate notes, thus two different discharges.

Trick or Trunk-Jodi Smith:

Selectboard permitted the Recreation Committee's request to use the Common for Trick or Trunk scheduled October 31st on the Common, being socially distant.

Discussion of Use of Common:

The Selectboard discussed a Use of Common form to be filled out ahead of time for events on the Common, to avoid conflicts and misuse. Susan will work on with Michelle.

Committee Reports & Appointees:

Farley updated the Selectboard regarding the subgroup of Lucas Schulz, Farley Brown, Rudy Chase & Emily Maclure looking into village wastewater issues.

Farley said that Tim Patterson did attend one of the Planning Commission meetings. Tim will look further into the legality of a Town Ordinance for water system that is not owned by the Town. Farley explained the State is interested in finding another site and one of the conditions

is having a town ordinance in place. Bruce had concerns of the possibility of the Town taking over the Common water system.

Road Foreman's Report:

Bruce said they need a little more gravel, so will get the sandpiper machine started. Kent's surgery went well.

Bruce mentioned some one is pulling signs on the road corners. It is a concern for the fire department and rescue when trying to find people during emergencies.

Clerk Report:

Tax money is still coming in well. The Selectboard briefly discussed delinquent taxes.

Walk-ins that have business to come before the Select Board:

Penelope reported that a culvert has collapsed near her property in Collinsville. There is still vandalism and damage from ATVs as well.

Other Business:

- The Selectboard is still working on Coburn Hill Signage requested by William Quinn.
- Once the Town gets more sand ready, Bruce said the crew plans to bring some to Scott Lane.
- Bruce reported that the padlock has been purchased, he just needs to put on the A & U trailer
- The Selectboard is still working on signage for speed concerns Lake Road
- Michelle reported that the Maskell wedding scheduled on Oct. 10th has been moved to another venue.
- Next regular meeting date is first Tuesday of October.

The Selectboard Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM. Next Selectboard Meeting is scheduled Tuesday October 6, 2020 at 7 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Warren, Selectboard Clerk