### TOWN OF WESTON

#### P.O. BOX 98

## **WESTON, VT 05161**

## **SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES**

November 23, 2021 at 7:30 PM

**Present**: Jim Linville, Charles Goodwin, and Bruce Downer

Absent: Denis Benson and Ann Fuji'i

Public: Donald Hart, Dan Hanenberg and Natalie Boston

Vice Chairman Jim Linville called the meeting to order at 7:29 P.M.

- **1. Changes or Additions to the Agenda:** Jim Linville notes change to the order of the meeting and they will go into executive session.
- 2. Public Comment: Charles Goodwin notes a Letter from the Zoning Administrator. The new fuel tank/shed at the town garage is not in compliance with the zoning regulations. Discussion, all agree it is a problem that needs to be corrected. Complicated issue and will do more research and discuss at the next meeting. Charles Goodwin makes a motion to show the selectboard received the notice, Bruce Downer 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved*.
- 3. Listers: Town Wide Reappraisal: Dan Hanenberg begins and notes the Request for Proposal that had been emailed and given to all the members ahead of time. Discussion on it. Dan says they have 15 contractors that they can get quotes from, unsure if necessary to get that many quotes. Discussion on programs used having any impact. Jim Linville suggests that they do what they think is right, get quotes in and go from there. Bruce Downer proposes getting 3 quotes. Charles Goodwin agrees but believes 5 is a good number but 15 may be unnecessary. Jim Linville makes a motion to authorize the listers to submit as many requests for quotes as they like but no less than 5. Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved.* Jim Linville asks if there is any possible grant money for this project. Dan notes there is money in the budget for this.
- **4. The Little School Electric:** Natalie Boston explains all the quotes received for the work to be done on The Little School. The quote already approved, for the electrician to be able to do the work GMP will need to upgrade wires \$553.36. The outdoor outlet: \$900. The generator instillation: \$5,500. Discussion on them all. Jim Linville asks for Natalie to follow up with Electrician on if the Outdoor Outlet can be done sooner and also the reason for that price. Jim Linville moves to approve GMP

- \$553.36, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved*. Jim Linville moves to approve <u>up to</u> \$900 for outdoor outlet, Bruce Downer 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved*.
- **5. Review and Approve Minutes:** Bruce Downer moves to approve the minutes, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved.*
- **6. SO #25 Payroll, SO #25 Vendors:** Bruce Downer moves to approve SO #25 Payroll for the amount of \$10,192.63, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved.*Bruce Downer moves to approve SO #25 Vendors for the amount of \$23,346.57, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved.*
- **7. New/Old Business:** Jim Linville brings up the agreed upon land purchase (Riverside). Will be signed on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> tentative closing date. Friends of Weston calling for \$50,000

Jim Linville notes letter received about the field house in Manchester, agreed that should be discussed with the full board.

Jim Linville brings up Request from Windham Regional for 21 membership fee, Asking for \$13013. Talk about in Budget meeting.

Jim Linville also updates on ZBA Hearing regarding McKenna property. They appealed the decision of the ZBA to the Vermont Environmental Court, final pretrial January  $3^{\rm rd}$ , 2022, merits hearing January  $11^{\rm th}$ . Merrill Bent will be making an appearance on the town's behalf, just to hear the outcome. No dog in this fight, thinks it comes down to interpretation of the law. Discussion.

Jim Linville says received a letter from the Army Core of Engineers, request for a response and Jim Linville says he is going to respond and follow up with them. Charles Goodwin mentions the collector of delinquent tax is nearing the end of her last term.

Jim Linville moves to go into executive session 1 VSA 313(a)(2) – Personnel and real-estate, Bruce Downer 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously approved*.

# Selectboard goes into executive session at 8:35 PM Selectboard comes out of Executive session at 9:12 PM

Charles Goodwin moved to authorize the Vice Chair to contact the Town Attorney to discuss a Town Municipal property matter. Bruce Downer Second. *Approved unanimously*.

Charles Goodwin Moves to adjourn, Bruce Downer 2<sup>nd</sup>. . *Approved unanimously*. **Meeting Adjourned at 9:15 PM**