

**TOWN OF WESTON**

**P.O. BOX 98**

**WESTON, VT 05161**

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**February 8, 2022 at 7:30 PM**

**Present:** Denis Benson, Jim Linville, Charles Goodwin, Ann Fuji'i and Bruce Downer

**Absent:** None

**Public:** Gregg Carroll, Dan Haneberg Almon Crandall, Ken Hall, Kim Seymour, and Natalie Boston

Denis Benson called meeting to order at 7:27PM

Denis Benson notes a request for the Listers to go first. Dan Haneberg begins by saying that he sent out 19 RFP's but only received 3 back. One from **Russ ?** and one from New England Municipal Consultants. The Third they dismissed as it seemed that they lacked experience. Discussion on need to purchase new software, Patriot software with a annual fee of \$1250. Discussion on updating the server. Discussion on prices of bids and note of funds for project is at \$92,000. Jim Linville asks when they would start and Gregg Carroll says next year and guessing in the summer of 2024 would be inspections. Discussion. Jim Linville moves to select the bid from New England Municipal Consultants for \$72,000, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*

1. **Review and Approve Minutes:** Jim Linville moves to approve, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*
2. **Changes and Additions to the Agenda: Road Forman Almon Crandall:** Almon Crandall says that all of the equipment is up and running. He also says that Brian gave his 2 weeks' notice. Discussion. Almon Crandall notes that when they consider this they should also consider that he will be retiring in a couple of years. Discussion on muddy roads
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Listers: Town Wide Reappraisal:** Discussed at beginning
5. **Certification of Compliance for Town Road and Bridge Standards: Signature:** Jim Linville moves to sign, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*
6. **No Appeal or Suit Pending Certificate: Signature:** Jim Linville moves to sign, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*
7. **Approved 2022 Pay Increases: Signature:** No motion needed as approved already. All Sign.
8. **Ken Hall Letter: Conservation Commission:** Ken Hall had sent a letter the the Selectboard requesting to be considered for one of the vacant positions on the Conservation Commission. Ken Hall explains his desire and history with the Commission. Discussion. Appointments are not made until the Selectboard meeting

after Town Meeting (Scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup>), but when the time comes they will consider his request and check with the current members.

9. **Town Meeting: Recording and Live Stream:** Natalie Boston says that GNAT had responded to her email requesting that they record Town Meeting as they usually do. They had asked if the town would like to live stream the meeting and asked if there was a plan to have a zoom option. Discussion. All decided not to live stream and just request GNAT records as they usually do.
10. **Delinquent Tax Report:** The Selectboard reviews and accepts the Delinquent Tax Report.
11. **SO #5 Payroll, SO#5 Vendors:** Jim Linville moves to approve SO #5 Payroll for the amount of \$8,601.87, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*  
Bruce Downer moves to approve SO #5 Vendors for the amount of \$51,428.15, Charles Goodwin 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*
12. **New/Old Business:** Denis Benson notes a letter received from Woolmington about a service price increase.  
Denis Benson also notes a letter with some additional information on the history of Mill Lan from 1971. Natalie Boston will forward a copy to the Planning Commission and Will Goodwin. Discussion.  
Jim Linville notes a email he received from Will Goodwin from Green Mountain Power about installing a "Battery Island" in Weston. Discussion.  
Jim Linville asks if we had received a copy of Pat Salo's insurance yet. Natalie Boston says no not yet. Annie Fuji'i expresses concern about recent decision to hire Pat Salo for Animal Control. Discussion. Decision to request Pat Salo come to the next Selectboard Meeting to discuss concerns with him directly.  
Natalie Boston notes that she had looked into the Brownfields Clean up funding and she can fill out an Owner Participation Agreement as well as a Site Nomination Form but wanted to confirm the Selectboard would like her to move forward. All confirm yes.  
Natalie Boston also brings up the Rewriting of the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, there will need to be a few public hearings and asks about a few possible Dates. Discussion. The Selectboard will read and review email Natalie had sent earlier that day and get back to her on when works best.  
Annie Fuji'i makes a motion to Temporarily appoint Debora Granquist, Laura Katz and Jeff Lennox to the Planning commission for the sole purpose of presiding over the pending Lindgren Subdivision. Jim Linville 2<sup>nd</sup>. Discussion on if that is a possibility. Annie Fuji'i will confirm with Merrill Bent and get proper wording for letters. *Unanimously Approved.*  
**Denis Benson moves to go into executive session in regards to Almon Crandall informing that Brian gave his 2 weeks' notice, Personnel: 1 VSA 313(a)(1). Jim Linville 2<sup>nd</sup>. Unanimously Approved.**

Into executive session at 8:28 PM

Out of executive session at 8:50 PM

No Motions or action.

Charles Goodwin moves to adjourn, Jim Linville 2<sup>nd</sup>. *Unanimously Approved.*

Meeting Ended at 8:51 PM