**TOWN OF WESTON**

**P.O. BOX 98**

**WESTON, VT 05161**

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**May 23rd, 2023 at 7:30 PM**

**Present**: Denis Benson, Jim Linville, Lisa Yrsha and Ann Fuji’i

**Zoom:** Charles Goodwin

**Absent:** None

**Public:** Kim Seymour, Donald Hart, Will Freeman and Kenneth Hall

**Denis Benson calls the meeting to order at 7:33 PM**

1. **Review and Approve Minutes:** The Selectboard reviews the draft of the Town Meeting minutes. A few corrections were made. The Selectboard will read and approve at the next meeting. The Selectboard reviews the April 25th minutes, a few corrections and changes are made. Discussion. Will create a new draft and approve at the next meeting. Jim Linville moves to approve the Town Meeting Minutes with one change discussed, Annie Fuji’i 2nd. *Unanimously approved*. The Selectboard reviews the minutes from May 1st. A few corrections made. The Selectboard reviews May 9th minutes and makes corrections. Jim Linville moves to sign, Lisa Yrsha 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.
2. **Changes or Additions to the Agenda:** Jim Linville noted he would like to go into executive session at the end of the meeting regarding personnel.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Little Lending Library:** Jim Linville explains that he, Almon Crandall and a few others met before meeting with VTrans and came to the conclusion to install the Little Lending Library in front of the Town Office, between the town bulletin board and the walkway, close enough to and facing the walkways that it will be shoveled out to access. Lisa Yrsha asks who will maintain the Kiosk, Jim says that Peter Areson will along with the Library.
5. **Microsoft Purchase:** Kim Seymour begins by saying that there is $14,000 in the budget and currently running on Microsoft 2010. Discussion on latest version pf the software. Jim Linville moves to approve, Charles Goodwin 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.
6. **Public Computer Replacement:** Kim Seymour explains that she did some research and does not have a firm price yet but explains the need to replace the public computer. It is a Windows 8 and is no longer supported. Goes on to say the little cubes purchased in the past instead were about $700 and now are around $520, would also need a monitor. Estimate total cost between $700-$800, will bring hard numbers to next meeting. Lisa Yrsha asks about training with the new software. Discussion.
7. **Grand List Extension:** Jim Linville moves to sign the Extension request, Lisa Yrsha 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.
8. **Conservation Commission Camp Entrance Kiosk:** Discussion. Jim Linville notes an additional $400 for maintenance. Jim Linville suggests moving on from that as it is not 2024 budgeting time. Discussion. Donald Hart notes that the Conservation Commission has not had a meeting since December 1st of 2022. Jim Linville Reads aloud an email received from Marguerite Mason: “As I know that you are aware, recent meetings of the Weston Conservation Commission have devolved into incivility and hostility.  This makes any meaningful actions or even the discussion of any meaningful actions impossible. Therefore, I hereby submit my resignation from the Weston Conservation Commission. And I wish all of you the best luck with the difficult work that you do.” Lisa Yrsha says she can look into the ADA concerns from Donald but notes that the Conservation Commission needs to get back on track and get some new members.
9. **Appointment of Officers:** None
10. **SO# 11 Payroll/SO# 11 Vendors:** Jim Linville moves to approve SO #11 Payroll for the amount of $7524.15, Lisa Yrsha 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.
Jim Linville moves to approve SO #11 Vendors for the amount of $743770.19, Charles Goodwin 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.
11. **New/Old Business :** Lisa Yrsha reviews the current status of the Regional Recreation Director Position has started having meetings. Has had one and is having another tomorrow night. Trying to come up with 2 things: 1- an inter-municipal agreement between the towns and 2- a job description to present to applicants. Notes this is not a small task. Says that if anyone is interested in getting involved and helping they are more than welcome to and could use volunteers. Will Freeman asks how we protect our interests in Weston amongst the larger group. Discussion. Lisa Yrsha emphasizes that it is important that Weston puts in their 2 cents because it is happening and moving quickly. Lisa explains how the funding is going to be used and how it will be divided amongst the towns in the future. Discussion.
Jim Linville moves to go into executive session to discuss personnel **1 V.S.A. § 313 1B,** Charles Goodwin 2nd. *Unanimously approved*.

Into executive session at 8:20pm

Out of executive session at 9:37pm

Jim Linville moves to acknowledge Marguerite Mason's resignation from the Conservation Committee and to thank her for her service. Annie Fuji’i Seconds, unanimous approval (Lisa Yrsha recuses)

Jim Linville moves to request a quarterly report from the Zoning Administrator on decisions and pending matters. Annie 2nd, unanimous approval (Lisa Yrsha recuses).

Jim Linville moves to approve Jeff Yrsha working only one day a week if necessary during the summer season. Deny Annie Fuji’i seconds, unanimous approval (Lisa Yrsha recuses).

Meeting adjourned at 9:42pm.