

**GUILFORD SELECTBOARD - MEETING**  
**Monday, 14 June 2021, 6:30 pm, 236 School Road, Guilford, VT**

**MINUTES**

**SELECTBOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Richard Wizansky, Verandah Porche, Michael Becker, Zon Eastes, Rusty Marine

**OFFICIALS/ STAFF PRESENT:** Peder Rude (Town Administrator)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Recognition of Public: Austin Rice (BCTV), Steve Lembke (resident)
- III. Rules of Procedure
- IV. Additions
  - a. Reopening Town Office
- V. Changes to Agenda Order
  - a. Move Letter to Communications
- VI. Approval of Minutes (5 minutes)
  - a. Regular Meeting - 24 May 2021
    - i. **ACTION** Verandah moved to approve the minutes as written. Michael seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
- VII. Highway
  - a. Peder spoke with Dan earlier today. The road crew has been spending a bit of time repairing equipment during the last week. They have also been setting new culverts, cleaning out ditches and blocked culverts. Dan said they will begin roadside mowing in the next week or so, as well as begin working on some new stone-lined ditching at the end of the month. He also said he hopes to grade some of the roads that weren't done prior to the last rain storm we had.
- VIII. New Business
  - a. Guilford Free Library Architect
    - i. Peder reminded the Selectboard that there was a committee created to review the architectural proposals for the next stage of the library addition project. They received five proposals and interviewed three candidates. The committee unanimously recommended Goldstone Architects from Bennington. There was a brief discussion.
    - ii. **ACTION** Richard moved to approve Goldstone Architects for the GFL project. Verandah seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
  - b. Sign Vandalism at Playscape
    - i. After the Rec Commission completed the parking lot project, they requested to have an enter and exit sign put up to funnel traffic and maximize parking. Both

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signs have been stolen. Not wanting to waste money, Dan put up two plastic signs on wooden posts from the hardware store and they were broken. If anyone knows who is responsible, please contact the VSP (preferred) or the town office.

- c. Tax Exemption for Green River Preservation Trust
  - i. Peder shared that the Lister's office noticed that the Green River Preservation Trust did not get a voted tax exemption at Town Meeting Day. They had historically been a ten year exemption and it was missed. While the Listers do their best to remind organizations of an expiring tax exemption, it is ultimately up to the board of an organization to request it. Peder noted the Selectboard could temporarily vote to grant an authorization until the next Town Meeting Day. There was a brief discussion.
  - ii. **ACTION** Richard moved to grant the tax exemption until Town Meeting Day 2022. Verandah seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. Michael abstained. Motion carried.
  
- d. Grants-in-Aid Letter of Intent
  - i. Every year for the past 5 years, the state has provided grant funding available to towns in the state to help them meet the requirements of the Clean Water Act. The state is doing so again this year. In order to be eligible for the funding, the town must submit a letter of intent, approved by the Selectboard. The projects are done in partnership with the Windham Regional Commission.
  - ii. **ACTION** Zon moved to approve the letter of intent. Rusty seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
  
- e. Wagner Development Contract Extension
  - i. Richard shared that Isaac Wagner has been the town's consultant for the Library project and that his current contract is expiring. Richard would like the selectboard to extend the contract so that Isaac can continue working on the project. There was a brief discussion.
  - ii. **ACTION** Michael moved to extend the contract. Zon seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
  
- f. Reopening Town Office & Covid Update
  - i. Peder shared that effective today, all COVID restrictions were removed by the Governor. The only exception is that individuals who are not vaccinated must continue to wear masks. There was a discussion on the topic. Several Selectboard members expressed they felt that those employees who had been working remotely during the pandemic should be able to negotiate with the Selectboard to work a mix of hours both in the office and remotely.
  - ii. **ACTION** Richard moved to reopen the town office. Rusty seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.

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- iii. **ACTION** Peder to work with Richard on memo to employees regarding the town office opening.
- iv. **ACTION** Zon moved to amend the original motion to open one week from today. Verandah seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.

IX. Discussion/Updates

a. DV CUD Update

- i. Zon shared there is a meeting tomorrow tonight to vote on the selection of a partner to begin rolling out fiber in the district.

X. Finance

a. Warrants

(5 minutes)

Payroll – WE 05/30/21	\$6000.86
Payroll - WE 06/06/21	\$6113.79
Payroll – WE 06/13/21	\$7355.85
Expense Warrant #2022	\$72,668.38
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$92,138.89</b>

**ACTION** Verandah moved to pay finance warrants as read. Zon seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. None abstained. Motion carried.

XI. Communications

- a. Selectboard Response to Resident Letter Regarding Viking Village
  - i. **ACTION** Peder & Richard to draft response

XII. Action Summary from Previous Meeting

- a. Accepted grant amendment
- b. Peder & Dan to investigate signage on SPR
- c. Peder to write an RFP for garage siding
- d. Peder to send the selectboard the link to VLCT ARPA information

XIII. Actions Taken

- a. Approved Goldstone Architects
- b. Approved tax exemption
- c. Approved letter of intent for Grants-in-Aid
- d. Approved contract extension for Isaac
- e. Reopened town buildings

XIV. Actions to be Taken

- a. Peder & Richard to write memo to employees

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- b. Peder & Richard to write response to letter of concern
- c. Peder to follow up with Dan on Sweet Pond signage

XV. Adjournment

**ACTION** Zon moved to adjourn. Rusty seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. None abstained. Motion carried.

Next Selectboard Meeting: 06.28.21 at 6:30 pm

Richard Wizansky *Richard Wizansky*  
Richard Wizansky (Jun 30, 2021 11:15 EDT)

Verandah Porche *Verandah Porche*  
Verandah Porche (Jul 6, 2021 16:50 EDT)

Rusty Marine *Rusty Marine*  
Rusty Marine (Jul 8, 2021 11:38 EDT)

Michael Becker *Michael Becker*  
Michael Becker (Jul 6, 2021 17:23 EDT)

Zon Eastes *Zon Eastes*  
Zon Eastes (Jul 8, 2021 11:31 EDT)












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