

GUILFORD SELECTBOARD - MEETING
Monday, 8 November 2021, 6:30 pm, 236 School Road, Guilford, VT

DRAFT 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: XXX (BCTV), Noela Sullivan, Lesley Malouin, Michelle Frehsee, Anne Rider
- III. Rules of Procedure
- IV. Changes to Agenda Order
- V. Approval of Minutes (5 minutes)
 - a. Regular Meeting - 25 October 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.
- VI. Highway
 - a. General Update
 - i. Peder spoke with the road crew earlier in the morning. They are working on replacing a couple of culverts, grading roads, and getting equipment ready for winter. Such things as putting on winter tires, fixing equipment, and installing plow frames on the trucks.
 - b. Salt Bid Update
 - i. Dan and Peder finally got to the bottom of the salt bids last Thursday. The bid this year is from Cargill for \$73 per ton/delivered.
 - c. One-ton Truck
 - i. Peder reminded Selectboard members that the Capital Plan for this fiscal year included a full size dump truck, which they purchased earlier in the summer, and a replacement one-ton truck. In addition to this being included in the Capital Plan, there was a substantial Highway surplus that remained at the end of last year. The dealer noted this was the last truck like this available and that another would not be seen from the manufacturer until late summer of next year, at the earliest. There was a brief discussion.
 - ii. **ACTION** Michael moved to purchase the one-ton truck from Ford of Claremont, not to exceed \$123,780.00. Verandah seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
- VII. New Business
 - a. Animal Control Officer with Sheriff Mark Anderson
 - i. Sheriff Anderson gave a quick background for the services and the scope of duties his department provides under statute. The Department previously provided ACO services under their previous contracts, but faced some issues with uniformity of

GUILFORD SELECTBOARD - MEETING

Monday, 8 November 2021, 6:30 pm, 236 School Road, Guilford, VT

those services due to differences between town ordinances. Mark further explained the history and problems they are aware of. He further explained the model and cost that the first four towns that joined had agreed to. There were a couple of questions from Selectboard members.

- ii. **ACTION** Verandah moved to join in the consortium of towns with Windham County Sheriff's Department. Michael seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
- iii. **ACTION** Peder to follow up with Mark.

VIII. Discussion/Updates

a. DVFiber Update

- i. Zon shared that DVFiber will be having their annual meeting on Wednesday. The primary purpose of the meeting is to discuss their budget. They have been awarded \$4.1M to begin their work. It will start in the 6 identified, unserved towns in the district, beginning next spring. Richard shared that Zon is now on the Executive Committee of DVFiber. There was a brief discussion with Selectboard members.

IX. Finance

a. Warrants

(5 minutes)

Payroll – WE 10/31/21	\$5893.13
Payroll - WE 11/07/21	\$11,376.83
Expense Warrant #2209	\$386,317.92
Expense Warrant #2209S	\$3,471,667.07
Expense Warrant #2209T	\$122,588.32
TOTAL	\$3,997,843.27

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

X. Other Business

a. Executive Session 1 V.S.A. § 313 1 (f) - Legal Matter

- i. **ACTION** Richard moved to enter Executive Session to discuss a legal matter and invite Peder Rude. Michael seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.
- ii. The Selectboard exited Executive Session at 7:33PM.
- iii. **ACTION** Richard moved to engage Mognahan, Safar, & Duchan in a legal matter. Verandah seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. No one abstained. Motion carried.

XI. Communications

GUILFORD SELECTBOARD - MEETING
Monday, 8 November 2021, 6:30 pm, 236 School Road, Guilford, VT

- a. Richard read a letter from Michelle Frehsee relating to the Planning Commission and Town Plan.
- b. Richard shared that the Selectboard received a communication from a resident in Packer Corners regarding gunfire over the weekend.
- XII. Action Summary from Previous Meeting
 - a. Moved to switch to .gov registration
 - b. Moved to join National Opioid Settlement
 - c. Moved to remove all Planning Commissioners from the Commission
- XIII. Actions Taken
- XIV. Actions to be Taken
- XV. Adjournment
 - ACTION** Michael moved to adjourn. Verandah seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed. None abstained. Motion carried.

Next Selectboard Meeting: 11.22.21 at 6:30 pm

Richard Wizansky _____

Verandah Porche _____

Rusty Marine _____

Michael Becker _____

Zon Eastes _____