



TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING
April 15, 2019
5:30 PM

Selectboard

Dan Daley, Chair
Christian Thompson

Press

Todd Wellington

Public

Dawn Dwyer, Justin Smith, Steve Gray, Brian & Candace King
Jefferson Tolman, Rodger Sheldon, Brice Simon, Sarah Cousino

1. Adjustments to the Agenda:

*Utility Partners-update visit *Executive Session-Contract *Remove NEKWMD interview
* Remove Warrant #36 Rural Edge

2. Approval of minutes:

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to approve the April 1, 2019 minutes as amended. Motion carried 2 to 0.

3. Approval & Signing of Orders drawn on the Treasurer:

The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks # 14 & 15.

4. Highway Report:

At 29% through the year, payroll is 39% spent and the entire budget is 24% expended. The heavy rain on Sunday night has caused some severe road damage. Justin explained that the 20" culvert on the private section of Highland Circle washed out, taking the road with it, making it impassable. The culvert is not in the Town's inventory and is the responsibility of the Highland Landowner Association to maintain, but the Town dropped a temporary culvert and filled it with crushed rock to make it passable. Brian & Candace King live on Vista Lane which is off of the private section of Highland Circle. The Kings feel that the brush left by Lyndonville Electric Department (LED) trimming the lines and the gravel off Whipple Hill Drive during the heavy rain caused the private culvert to plug and take out the road. Justin explained that if the issue was caused by LED, this would be an issue that the Village Trustees will need to handle. Justin called Rob Nutting, Road Foreman, and confirmed that the road is now passable. Justin suggested that the Kings, as well as the other residents on the private section of Highland Circle, request a meeting with LED and the Trustees.

5. Public Safety Building Roof Bids:

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley to accept the low bid of \$78,000 from NEK Roof Solutions. Motion carried 2-0. The only other bid submitted was from Palmieri Roofing, Inc coming in at \$182,420. The RFP was sent to four (4) local roofing companies.

6. Excess Weight Permit Applications:

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley to approve the four (4) Fleet Excess Weight Permits with approval for Justin Smith to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 2 to 0. Permits are for Barrett Trucking Co., Inc., Larry M. Brown Logging & Chipping, Inc., Darrell Mathews dba Mathews Excavating and Kelley-View Farm, Inc.

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley to approve the Single Excess Weight Permit for Fred Vance dba Fred Vance Trucking, with approval for Justin Smith to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 2 to 0.

7. Access Permit Application:

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to approve the access permit for Ronald C. Aubin II for access on the west side of Calendar Brook Road. Motion carried 2 to 0. Rob Nutting, Road Foreman, has inspected the location and does not feel a culvert is needed and issued no other conditions.

8. Mobile Home Park License:

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to approve the Mobile Home Park Licenses for Northern Vermont Rentals LLC for Northern Hill Estates, Riverview Estates, and Woodland Heights. Motion carried 2 to 0.

9. Sewer Abatement Request:

Christian Yandow's rental property at 24 Chamberlin Bridge Road had a pipe freeze and break due to lack of heat in one of the apartments. Mr. Yandow contacted Joe Dauphin, Public Works Supervisor, who confirmed that the water did not go into the Town sewer system. Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to abate wastewater charges in the amount of \$544.95. Motion carried 2-0.

10. Utility Partners – Update Visit:

Jefferson Tolman, Area Manager, and Rodger Sheldon, Project Manager, both of Utility Partners, came to see if the Board has any questions or concerns regarding their work at the Waste Water Plant. Dan appreciated the list of projects that Rodger had provided in the past. Rodger will update the list and come back to review the projects by May 1st.

Rodger confirmed that the flow is up due to the warm weather and rain. Three of the four aerators are on-line. Dan asked if there was anything Rodger or Tolman needed from the Town. Jefferson explained that we are in the last year of a three year contract. There is an option in the current contract to automatically renew.

Chris asked what the most pressing maintenance issue is now. Rodger said getting the transfer pump fixed. Rodger received a text from Peak Motor & Pump last Friday. They wanted to drop off the rebuilt pump. Rodger insisted they stick around for the installation as well as the first run to ensure it would work properly. They will be coming sometime this week. Rodger would also like to remove the grit cyclone to see what is going on with it. He feels the ring in the bottom is not functioning properly. Rodger also advised the Board that when he completes the Vulnerability Study, they should all sit down to review it.

11. Executive Session: Personnel:

Christian Thompson moved to enter into executive session at 7:22 PM to discuss the evaluation of a public officer or employee pursuant to Title 1, Section 313 (a)(3), of the Vermont State Statutes. The motion was seconded by Dan Daley and carried 2-0.

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to come out of executive session at 7:28 PM. No action was taken.

12. Executive Session: Contract

Christian Thompson moved to find that premature general public knowledge of a pending contract with Mosedale Integrated Solution will clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage. 1 V.S.A. §313(a) (1).

Christian Thompson moved that we enter executive session to discuss the Town's contract with Mosedale Integrated Solution under provisions of Title 1, Section 313(a) (1) of the Vermont Statutes. Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to come out of executive session at 7:44 PM. No action was taken.

13. Other:

- a. Sarah Cousino, Lyndon's rep to Lyndon Rescue, Inc. (LRI), met with the Board to report on the LRI most recent board meeting.
 - Delbert Reed was elected as President of LRI.
 - LRI has contracted with Cynthia Stuart for a feasibility study to determine best location and cost of a new facility.
 - Northern Vermont University (NVU) is passionate about keeping LRI on campus. NVU offered to sell the old Children's Center property to LRI. Another locations considered for the new facility is the Nygard property at the intersection of Route 5 & 114.
 - A gentleman from Mississippi has been offered the position of Assistant Director.
 - Call volume is down.
 - LRI is researching documentation that shows who actually owns the land that LRI sits on. If the documentation is found, then NVU would owe LRI the back rent they have been paying.
- b. Justin Smith and a Sawyer Sprinkler Service (SSS) tech met at the Public Safety Building and Tim Scott of G. Tim Stone Consulting, LLC held a pre-bid meeting via the phone. SSS has been doing the repairs but did not install the original system. The job would involve pressurizing the system, see what blows and replace pipe, check pipe elevation and install the nitrogen (N2) system. The SSS tech felt it would be difficult to bid with so many unknown variables. His concern is with cost of the three foot drops at \$200 apiece and the sprinkler heads at \$80 apiece when fixing the blow out and elevation issues.
- c. Steve Gray reported on the NEKWMD meeting held on April 9th. They elected officers and were given a financial update (\$40,000 deficit) including commodity prices. The workers are beginning to better understand the new baler. It is primarily for cardboard but can be used for other materials. They were having difficulty with baling plastics. They spoke about the property tax bill from the Town of Lyndon. They are waiting to hear back from the Town. Paul Tomasi, Director, talked about the \$50,000 grant they have applied for to reduce the cost of the baler. Mr. Tomasi suggested using it to either reduce the line of credit or build back up the capital improvement fund. They should hear by mid-May as to whether they were awarded the grant. The next meeting will mostly be devoted to discussing the Coventry landfill expansion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM

Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer

Approved by the Selectboard: May 13, 2019