

TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING
August 6, 2018
5:30 PM

Selectboard

Kermit Fisher, Chair
Dan Daley
Christian Thompson

Press

Public

Dawn Dwyer, Justin Smith, Steve Gray
Lou Apgar

1. Adjustments to the Agenda:

- NCIC Contract - Lister Errors and Omissions

2. Approval of minutes:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the July 23, 2018 minutes as amended. Motion carried 3 to 0.

Motion made by Christian Thompson, seconded by Dan Daley, to approve the July 27, 2018 minutes as amended. Motion carried 3 to 0.

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

The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks # 31 & 32.

4. Highway Report:

At 60% through the year, payroll is 62% spent and the entire budget is 39% expended. The Town has again been approved a Municipal Road General Permit Stormwater grant in the amount of \$18,000. We have until June 2019 to complete the project.

5. Kiosk Site Approvals:

Lou Apgar from the Bike-Ped Committee came to the Board seeking permission to place two kiosks on town property. If approved they will be placed near the Municipal Office Building pedestrian bridge and the Park & Ride on Route 122. They will highlight the underutilized river trail as well as other potential walks available in town. The Bike-Ped Committee is in partnership with Lyndon Institute (LI) who has designed and built the first kiosk and will build the second one this fall. The kiosk located at the Park & Ride will have a bench as well. Both kiosks will be placed as to not interfere with plowing. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the kiosk sites. Motion carried 3-0.

6. Rural Edge Warrant # 27:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve Rural Edge Warrant # 27. Motion carried 3 to 0.

7. Sanitation Abatement Request:

Dawn Dimick is requesting that her sanitation bill be changed from a two apartment house to a single residence by removing the private entrance and exit to the second unit. It has been changed on the Grand List to a single unit.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the sanitation abatement as requested by Dawn Dimick at 33 Glenside Lane. Motion carried 3 to 0.

8. Wastewater Abatement:

Louis Joe Buzzi is requesting an abatement of his wastewater charges from January 2 – April 2, 2018 stating that there has not been any usage since he purchased the property at 791 Main Street.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson to approve the wastewater abatement of the base fee of \$141 plus interest as requested by Louis Joe Buzzi for 791 Main Street. The motion was denied 3 to 0.

9. Wastewater Application:

The Lyndonville Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses is replacing the existing sewer line and installing a 1,500 gallon lift station on Kingdom Hall Property to pump affluent only and then reconnect to the existing sewer line.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the Wastewater Application for Lyndonville Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses at 88 South Wheelock Road, waive the connection fee of \$1,500 but charge a \$10 fee to record the application in the Land Records. Motion carried 3 to 0.

10. Perpetual Care Amendments:

Incorrect section and lot numbers were given for the perpetual care agreements that were approved at the July 23, 2018 meeting.

David & Jennifer Noyes lot from Section 55 Lot 9 A to Section 56 Lot 7 C

Smith-Cole lot from Section 55 Lot 9 B to Section 56 Lot 7 D

Stillson lot from Section 55 Lot 9 C to Section 56 Lot 8 A

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to amend the above mentioned Perpetual Care Agreement to reflect the correct Section and Lot numbers. Motion carried 3 to 0.

11. NCIC Contract:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to enter into a contract between the Town of Lyndon and Northern Community Investment Corporation (NCIC) to administer the Rural Business Development Grant the Town was granted by USDA for the Development of a Downtown Wi-Fi Mesh System, perform a feasibility study for a community fiber network and provide small business technical assistance grants, with Justin Smith to sign on behalf of the Town. Motion carried 3-0.

12. Errors & Omissions Certificate:

Larry Willey presented to the Board an Errors and Omissions Certificate to account for a change to the Bailey Revocable Living Trust, correcting acreage from 116.72 to 114.72 a decrease of \$2,300 and a data correction for Comcast Corp. increasing their value from \$41,935 to \$49,927. The certificate must be approved by the Board prior to August 15th, the Final Grand List Date. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to accept the changes to the Grand List as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

13. Executive Session: Personnel:

Motion made by Dan Daley to enter into executive session at 6:35 PM to discuss a personnel issue pursuant to Title 1, Section 313(a)(3), of the Vermont Statutes.

After coming out of executive session at 6:49 PM, no action was taken.

14. Other:

- a. Christian Thompson is still receiving comments regarding the sanitation bills. Justin explains to residents that yes they do have to pay the bill in its entirety and that any surplus will be carried over against next year's expenses. The Clerk will have an explanation put on the website and Front Porch Forum as to what the sanitation fee covers.
- b. The appointment to Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) still has not been done. Libre Drouin was hired by the District to take minutes at their meetings. The Selectboard has some questions and will ask that Libre come to the next meeting.

- c. Erin Rossetti, Lyndon Resident and Director of Student Life at Northern Vermont University-Lyndon, has expressed interest in being a Lyndon representative to Lyndon Rescue. The Board would like to invite Ms. Rossetti to the next meeting.
- d. Christian suggested that the representatives of the various organizations report to the Board on at the very least an annual basis. It would provide an opportunity for the Board to pass along their thoughts to the representatives.
- e. Larry Willey reminded the Board that by State Statute it is their responsibility to appoint the third lister. Lyndon can make a charter change to abolish the listers and hire an assessor if they so choose. Larry mentioned that it is common to have a reappraisal every ten years and Lyndon is closing in on that time. It would not be a good idea to be changing from a lister to an assessor during this time.
- f. The Clerk received the fiscal year 2019 budget for the Fenton Chester Ice Arena from Lyndon Institute (LI) as required for insurance purposes. Per the management agreement between the Town and LI, LI should be providing year end information to the Board.
- g. Steve Gray informed the Board that the NEKWMD meeting will be next week. Not having received the agenda yet, he believes it will include bidding on compost and a discussion about a compactor.
- h. Justin shared that the hauler set up at 433 East Burke Road has been receiving questions about taking bulky items. If he could use one of the bays of the old garage for storage during the week and transport on Fridays, it would cut down on Bulky weeks. This item will be considered at a future meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM
Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer
Approved by the Selectboard: 08/20/18