



TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING
October 12, 2020
5:30 PM

Selectboard: Christian Thompson-Chair, Dan Daley, Nancy Blankenship

Officials: Dawn Dwyer, Justin Smith

Press: Todd Wellington for The Caledonian-Record

Public: See attached list

1. Adjustments to the Agenda:

Lyndon Outing Club Grant Request & Sewerline Discussion

2. Swearing in of New Selectboard Member:

Nancy Blankenship was sworn into office as a Selectboard member by affirming to the Vermont Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office.

3. Approval of minutes:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the September 28, 2020 minutes as amended. Motion carried 2 to 0.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the September 30, 2020 Selectboard Town Plan minutes as amended. Motion carried 2 to 0.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the September 30, 2020 Special Selectboard minutes as amended. Motion carried 2 to 0.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the October 6, 2020 Special Selectboard minutes as amended. Motion carried 2 to 0.

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

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks # 40 & #41 with the Treasurer to sign due to COVID-19.

5. Gilman Housing Warrant:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Nancy Blankenship, to approve and sign the Gilman Housing order drawn on the Treasurer for Warrant #45 in the amount of \$17,876. Motion carried 3 to 0.

6. Perpetual Care Agreement:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Nancy Blankenship, to approve the Perpetual Care Agreement for the Laughton lot (Section 37 Lot E1C). Motion carried 3 to 0.

7. Approval of Access Permit:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the access permit for Scott & Kelly Harriman for access on the south side of Town Road 48. Motion carried 3-0. Rob Nutting, Road Foreman has inspected the location. He feels a culvert will be needed as well as to level the driveway 15' from the town road.

The Selectboard meeting was suspended at 5:58 PM to open the Board of Civil Authority Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District Tax Appeal Status Hearing. The Selectboard meeting was reconvened at 7:26 PM.

8. Police Department Holding Cell Design Quote:

Significant damage has happened to the holding cell over the years, particularly the door. It was recommended by companies that could repair the damage that the holding cell and framed wall for the door be redesigned. EH Danson in St. Johnsbury was recommended, and Mark Wheeler reviewed the condition of the Booking/Holding area and felt EH Danson could adequately design something for approximately \$1,200 to \$1,500. The design will include a cost estimate. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Nancy Blankenship, to approve an amount up to \$1,500 for EH Danson to review the conditions of the booking/holding area at the Public Safety Building, with Justin Smith to sign. Motion carried 3-0.

9. Public Safety Building Snow Guard Quote:

Karl Chafee of Kingdom Construction was concerned about the snow guards damaging the new standing seam roof on the Public Safety Building and sought the advice of a snow guard company. Mr. Chafee received a quote from Alpine Snowguard out of Morrisville in the amount of \$13,253.79. The cost is significantly more than the original \$170 per foot that was originally quoted. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the snowguard quote of \$13,253.79 from Alpine Snowguard. Motion carried 3-0.

10. LI Parade Request:

Mike Lowe of Lyndon Institute (LI) is requesting a Spirit Week Parade to be held on Friday, October 23 from 6 – 6:30 PM. The proposed parade route has been approved by Chief Harris who will also provide a police escort. The parade will not have the normal stops at Bandstand Park and Depot Street as in previous years. There will not be any extra activities after the parade. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Nancy Blankenship, to approve the LI Spirit Week Parade for the evening of October 23 from 6 to 6:30 PM. Motion carried 3-0.

11. Wastewater Meter Discussion:

A location in the Industrial Park has been found where a second meter has been installed and we were not getting a reading. The Industrial Park water is fed and billed by St. Johnsbury and the wastewater comes to and is billed by Lyndonville. It is estimated that we have not been collecting on about 300,000 to 400,000 gallons of wastewater per quarter. There are three options: 1) Call St Johnsbury each quarter for the reading, 2) install a \$2,000 to \$2,500 meter that Lyndonville could read or 3) purchase a small hand-held reader that would read that one meter only. Dawn Dwyer, Clerk, will reach out to St. Johnsbury about the ability to obtain the meter reading or usage each quarter for billing.

12. Town Plan:

At the last hearing held on September 30th public comment centered around the “No Adverse Impact” paragraph under Flood Resilience. Marty Feltus proposed wording to be used in Policy 9.3 (see email dated October 1, 2020). Christian also shared proposed wording. After collaborating, the Board made their final changes to the Town Plan. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Nancy Blankenship, to adopt the Town Plan with amendments from October 12, 2020. Motion carried 3-0.

13. Northeast Kingdom Waste District Discussion:

Paul Tomasi, Director, left the Zoom meeting before this agenda item was addressed.

14. Fenton Chester Arena Discussion with LAYHA

Justin Smith, Municipal Administrator, gave a quick review of the Fenton Chester Arena (FCA) Management Agreement between the Town of Lyndon and Lyndon Institute (LI). There was considerable discussion regarding LI’s decision to not open the Arena this year. Many residents and users of the FCA offered to work to fundraise to open the Arena. Those attending the meeting were looking for direction from the Selectboard. The Board agreed they want to see the Arena open and are willing to work long-term with an organization to operate the Arena. Other than money, the needs

include a manager, someone to do the scheduling as well as the maintenance. The Board was asked to provide the short-list needs and cost to open. Justin Smith will provide information in an email to be shared to those interested in the information.

15. Lyndon Outing Club Grant Request:

The Outing Club would like to apply for a Spark Grant in the amount of \$3,000 for improvements relating to Covid-19. They would use the funds to purchase outside propane heaters and picnic tables so they can do outside seating. They need the Town as the conduit for the funds. Motion made by Nancy Blankenship, seconded by Dan Daley, to approve the Lyndon Outing Club application for a Spark Grant in the amount of \$3,000. Motion carried 3-0.

16. College Road Sewerline Discussion:

Joe Dauphin, Public Works Supervisor, received a quote from Courtland Construction Corp. to replace the sewer lines coming down College Road along Matty Pond. The quote is to install 300' of sewer line for a cost of \$24,712. Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Nancy Blankenship, to approve the sewer line replacement for College Road in the amount of \$24,712. Motion carried 3-0.

17. Other:

- a. Steve Gray spoke to Eric Paris and Black Dirt Farm about working with the Town regarding composting. Both are willing to have a discussion with the Selectboard. The NEKWMD's monthly meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 13th. The agenda includes drafting next year's budget.

*Board of Civil Authority Members

Attendees:		*Sean	McFeely
Scott	Beck	Andrew	McGregor
Eric	Bollman	*Brenda	Mitchell
*Catherine	Boykin	David	Peterson
Danielle	Brigham	Merry	Porter
Lance	Brigham	Dan	Richardson
Chris	Carr	Kate	Roy
Gary	Chester	Pam	Schabler
*Mike	Codding	*Sara	Simpson
Adrienne	D Olimpio	Shane	Switser
Elijah	Emerson	Holly	Taylor
Thomas	Eyman	Paul	Tomasi
Carol	Fisher	Hanne	Trudeau
Doug	Garfield	Lance	Tucker
*Reed	Garfield	Robin	Ware
Larry	Golden	Larry	Willey
*Kathy	Gray	Matt	Young
Steve	Gray	Amber	Letourneau
Joanie	Hahr		
Sharon	Howell		
Glen	Jardine		
John	Lenzini		
Carol	Lyon		
*Ken	Mason		
Jeni	Maynard		

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 PM

Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer

Approved by the Selectboard: October 26, 2020