

MONKTON SELECTBOARD MEETING
MONKTON TOWN HALL
MINUTES

DATE: Monday May 23, 2016

(Approved 6/13/16)

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Stephen Pilcher called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

2. **ATTENDANCE:**
 - a. SELECTBOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Stephen Pilcher, Henry Boisse, John McNerney, Ann Layn.

 - b. OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Ivor Hughes, Renee McGuiness

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** S. Pilcher mentioned to the Selectboard that he was contacted by a Hinesburg resident regarding “gunfire” coming from neighbors. This person was directed to the Hinesburg Selectboard for further assistance.

4. **REGULAR BUSINESS:**
 - a. APPROVE MINUTES: The Selectboard reviewed the minutes from May 9, 2016. Corrections were made. **H. Boisse moved to approve the minutes as amended. J. McNerney seconded this motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0-0.**

 - b. REVIEW AND APPROVE CHECK WARRANTS:
 - A/P #60523 05-23-2016 \$20,991.70
 - P/R #60516 05-16-2016 \$ 9,071.05

 - c. REVIEW AND APPROVE OVERWEIGHT PERMITS, ETC.
 - Green Mountain Siteworks, LLC
 - Sweet Carolines Trucking, LLC
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 - d. PUBLIC COMMENT (Guests): Ivor Huges from the Planning commission mentioned the following:
 - putting up “Share the Road” signs at both ends of Pond Rd, and from Pond Rd. to the intersection of Davis Rd. Would the town consider putting

up these “Share the Road” signs. This will be added to the agenda for the next Selectboard meeting.

- The Planning commission would like to plan on adding youth non-voting members to the planning commission. This would need Selectboard approval.
- The Planning Commission will be putting out a survey for the Town Plan in June. The document has been corrected for spelling, and mis-quotes.
- The Planning Commission has signed off on the Eagle Scout program for the signs.
- There was some concern about the amount of VGS large truck traffic going down Pond Rd. S. Pilcher will discuss possible alternate routes at the weekly planning meeting.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. MCGUINNESS LETTER RE: VT GAS ON ROW: Renee McGuinness wants the Selectboard to send a letter to the PSB regarding the VGS violations of parking and leaving vehicles, in the right of way across her property, and trespassing. Because the land is private, the State Police do not tow off of private property. Landowners need to properly mark and post the property. Landowners may need to contact the Sherriff’s dept. to have VGS served.

She is requested that the Selectboard send the letter she had drafted to be sent to the PSB. She would like to see a higher level of supervision, more oversight of the road crew, and a quicker, more reasonable turn-around time for response. She also commented that their apologies for mistakes are wearing thin when the same mistakes continue to happen.

The Selectboard reviewed and edited this letter to make clear the concern about adequate oversight and communication to, and supervision of, employees and subcontractors to assure compliance with the terms of the MOU and various easements and Rights-of-Way throughout the town.

A. Layn moved to send the letter to VGS with PSB receiving a copy. J. McNerney seconded this motion. H. Boisse wanted to be sure that the town does not get involved in private party issues and concerns, and not get involved on a personal level. He also reiterated that this is not a small construction

project and it should be accepted as a large construction project, with large equipment, etc.. A written response will be requested addressing these concerns. **Vote and passed, 4-0-0.**

- b. APPOINTMENTS ACRPC AND TAC: The Selectboard would like to Thank Thea Gaudette for her long and devoted service to ACRPC as chair. She has stepped down from this position.

Wendy Sue Harper has expressed interest in being on the ACRPC, and Stephen Pilcher wants to move from alternate to board member. Thea Gaudette has expressed interest in TAC.

H. Boise moved to appoint Wendy Sue Harper and Stephen Pilcher as members to ACRPC for 1 year term expiring June 2017. A. Layn seconded this motion. Voted and passed 4-0-0.

A. Layn moved to appoint Thea Gaudette to TAC, 1 year term expiring June 2017. H. Boisse seconded this motion, Voted and passed 4-0-0.

- c. APRIL BUDGET STATUS REPORT: No action taken.
- d. REVIEW ROAD CREW AND ROAD FOREMAN JOB DESCRIPTION: The Board reviewed Road Crew and Road Foreman job descriptions.

6. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. UPDATE LOCAL EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN: Suggestions were taken and sent to VGS, S. Pilcher is awaiting response from VGS. Once an answer has been received from VGS, this will be addressed by the Selectboard.
- b. REVIEW AND UPDATE OF PERSONNEL POLICY: The Selectboard reviewed, discussed, and made changes to the personnel policy. The updated personnel policy will be brought to the next meeting
- c. FINALIZE PARK AND RIDE BID: There has been nothing received from Land Works. As soon as this information has been received, a special meeting will be considered.

- d. FIRE STATION ADDITION STATUS: No update at this time, Inquiries have been made to the bidder, but no responses have been received as of yet.

7. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- a. DETERMINE TIME/DATE OF NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Monday June 13, 2016 at 7:00pm.
- b. Bob Matera's former house: Cleaning process has been started, but has since stalled. There is a question about the septic that is not grandfathered.
- c. There was concern expressed about a lawn has been built up to be above street level. There is no proper drainage so now the yard drains across the road. Wayne Preston will be asked to come up with a resolution.
- d. Residents have been directed to ZA for complaints about cars in the yard.
- e. The Selectboard briefly discussed 2 curbcuts. H. Boisse will meet with W. Preston to review the site.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**

H. Boisse moved to adjourn at 9:26pm, J. McNerney seconded this motion. Voted and passed, 4-0-0.