

TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING

July 25, 2016
5:30 PM

Selectboard

Dan Daley, Chair
Kermit Fisher

Press

Todd Wellington

Public

Dawn Dwyer, Justin Smith, Steve Gray
Chief Harris, Pauline Harris, Mandy Chapman
Werner Heidemann, Trisha Ingalls, Barry Ford

Agenda item # 15 was removed.

1. Approval of minutes:

Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to approve the July 11, 2016 minutes. Motion carried 2 to 0.

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

The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks #29 & 30.

3. Highway Report:

At 56% through the year, payroll is 56% spent and the entire budget is 38% expended.

4. Ordinance Change regarding: Bicycles, Skateboards, Longboards, Roller Skates, and Roller Blades:

Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to adopt the ordinance change regarding bicycles, skateboards, longboards, roller skates and roller blades. Motion carried 2-0. The change can be found attached to these minutes. The change will become effective 60 days from today, July 25, 2016 or on September 22, 2016.

5. Sanitation:

Pauline Harris came to the Board again this year asking that as a single residential owner she be charged the same administration fee of \$10.00 as apartment owners due to her decision to use a different service than that provided through the Town Ordinance. Therefore, she requested a \$25.00 abatement. After a short discussion, the issue of waiving the sanitation fee was taken under advisement but was not acted upon. The Board will review the ordinance during budget time and consider alternate billing options.

6. Jake Brake Discussion:

Mark Bean, owner of Riverview Estates on Route 114, has requested signs and an ordinance limiting the use of Engine Compression Brakes referred to as "Jake Brakes". Police Chief Jack Harris provided a response from Col. William (Jake) Elovirta, Director, Vermont Department of Motor Vehicles Enforcement & Safety Division. Col. Elovirta informed Chief Harris that signs prohibiting the use of Jake Brakes "have not been supported by State Statute or the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). He listed several issues that a community would be faced with such as enforceability, safety, and driver confusion. Chief Harris informed the Board that his office has not received any complaints. Chief Harris will look into DMV doing some traffic enforcement (speed) and equipment inspections.

7. Wastewater Pump Station Pump Discussion:

The pump at Calkins wastewater pump station failed. Phil Laramie presented a proposal of \$8,400 to replace the motor and pump and the Joe Dauphin presented a proposal of \$6,500 to rebuild the motor and pump. The failed pump was installed in 1979 and well exceeded its life expectancy.

Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to rebuild the pump and motor for a cost of \$6,500. Motion carried 2-0.

8. Stars & Stripes Update:

This year's Stars & Stripes parade, held on Saturday, July 23rd, was extremely long partially due to it being an election year. Some business owners reported a loss of income during this parade. Chief Harris indicated a lack of communication from those involved. He would like to bring all parties involved together to discuss possible solutions for the future. The Board was in favor of this action.

9. Rural Edge new Revolving Loan Grant Application Request:

Rural Edge representatives Mandy Chapman, Werner Heidemann & Trisha Ingalls spoke to the Board regarding the Town of Lyndon once again being the lead applicant on their behalf for a Vermont Community Development Program (VCDP) grant for the Revolving Loan Fund. Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to continue the Town of Lyndon's support in the grant application. Motion carried 2-0.

10. Fire Department Grant:

Lyndonville Fire Department applied for and was awarded a State Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$2,193. The grant money will be used to reimburse those participating in the Vigilant Guard exercise that is being sponsored by the Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS) and Vermont National Guard starting on July 25th through August 2nd, 2016.

11. Systemic Local Road Safety Program Participation Form:

Doug Morton from NVDA, is asking the Town of Lyndon to participate in the 2016 Systemic Local Road Safety Program (SLRS). The two roads that have been identified are Red Village Road and Severance Hill Road. See the attached participation form for the participation requirements. Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to participate in the 2016 Systemic Local Road Safety Program. Motion carried 2-0.

12. Invoice For Work on Wastewater Service Line:

Peter Morrisette's sewer line located at 325 Main Street was plugged and required a camera line service which was provided by Busy "B" Line Service. The scope revealed that the bottom of the sewer line was hit during some directional boring that took place during a municipal upgrade. Mr. Morrisette is looking to be reimbursed \$165, the cost of having the camera service. Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to reimburse Peter Morrisette \$165 for camera service of the sewer line. Motion carried 2-0. Justin will follow up with Nott's Excavating, the firm that did the directional boring.

13. Streetlight Program:

Efficiency Vermont inquired on the Town's interest in their Improving Efficiency in Municipal Street and Public Space Lighting program. The item was tabled to allow for more time to review the information submitted to the Board.

14. Joint Garage - Change Orders:

Spates Construction, Inc. submitted four Change Orders totaling \$8,329.50. Change orders were for the septic tank that needed pumping (\$416), labor & material to pour slab infills at new overhead doors

(\$3,828.25), labor & materials for the extra work required at the exterior walls (\$4,085.25) and labor & materials for the extra work required on the roof (\$0). The total would come out of the contingency. The authorization was tabled until more information could be obtained.

A meeting was held on site Thursday, July 21st.

15. Executive Session: (Removed)

16. Other:

- a. USDA requires a Compliance Review for the Generator & Paint Booth grant. Selectboard members and employees have certain sections to fill out. Kermit & Dan will fill out Attachment F and Rob Nutting & Joe Dauphin will fill out attachment G. Justin will fill out the remaining sections.
- b. Justin shared a letter from Jeanne Oliver, Special Counsel to the Department of Public Service regarding the Aegis Wind application West of 1913 Lynburke Road.
- c. Steve Gray, representative to the Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District (NEKWMD) presented revenue generating scenarios. The NEKWMD has an approximate \$78,000 deficit they are looking to eliminate. Their proposals include per capita assessment of \$1.64/capita or a \$50.68 hauling charge for each time they pick up recycling in a town. The spreadsheet Steve provided suggests that NEKWMD picks up 52 times per year in Lyndon, when they do not pick up at all. The facility is located on Church Street in Lyndon and residents either bring their own recycling to the facility or have it collected by Earley Rubbish & Recycling. The Board would like to have Justin invite Paul Tomasi to a meeting to discuss this issue.
- d. Barry Ford informed the Board that Lyndon Area Sport Association has not heard from Lyndon Institute regarding their contract negotiations in more than a month. He attended tonight's meeting in hopes of obtaining some information. Item #15 Executive Session, was removed from the agenda when LI could not be in attendance.
- e. The Board is still waiting to hear from the Town Agent, Bob Gensburg, regarding the Peter Downing land the Town obtained from a tax sale.

Meeting adjourned at 7:09 PM

Minutes taken by Dawn Dwyer

Approved by the Selectboard: August 8, 2016