

Final Minutes
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF PAWLET
July 17, 2018
7:00 pm at Pawlet Town Hall
Regular Meeting

Members in Attendance:

Bob Jones
Ed Cleveland
Chuck Weeden
John Malcolm

Others in Attendance:

Kristin Powers
Robert Morlino
Daniel S. Banyai
Ed Dove
Beth Moser-Duquette
Raymond R. Duquette
Anne Hadeka
Paul Tilander
Michelle Tilander
Keith Mason
David Ricard
Harry Van Meter
Jay Luebke
John Thrasher
Ben Tarbell

EVENT

1. Call to order at 7:01 pm
2. Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items
 - a. Additions: Ed Bove on behalf of Rutland Regional Planning Commission
 - b. Deletions: None
3. Introduction of those present by chairperson

4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - A. Motion to accept the Minutes of July 3, 2018 with no edits made.
 - Mover: Ed Cleveland
 - 2nd: John Malcolm
 - Discussion: No further discussion therefore the minutes are approved (unanimous).
5. Appearances by local citizens and visitors.
 - A. Ray Duquette Sr. - Inquired about status of Zoning Administrator Position. Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Van Meter stated that the Planning Commission is working with five applicants, and hopes to have recommendations by next meeting. Mr. Duquette Sr. inquired about the date of the next upcoming DRB meeting. Mr. Mason stated that a meeting would be set soon as possible following the Fireman's Auction (auction taking place on July 26, 2018).
 - B. Ed Bove - On behalf of the Rutland Regional Planning Commission, extended his thanks to the Town of Pawlet for supporting him and the Rutland Regional Planning Commission. Offered folks the opportunity to ask questions. Shared his gratitude for Mr. Mach's guidance as the chair of the Planning Commission. Mr. Morlino shared thanks for the role the Rutland Regional Planning Commission plays for the town.
 - C. Bob Morlino - Reviewed presentations regarding Emergency Management Director roles and responsibilities as well as what roles and responsibilities of the Health Officer. Presentations available by request.
 - Notes: The Mettawee Community School is the town of Pawlet and West Pawlet's Emergency Operation Center. *'Pawlet, VT Emergency Management'* Facebook page, town website and VTAlert (residents may sign up for alerts from the state online) are all resources for residents to receive updates regarding local emergency status.
 - Mr. Morlino made a suggestion to the Board that in the future, the Emergency Management Director position may evolve to a payed position rather than volunteer.

- Beth Moser-Duquette stated that she has been collecting animal care items and has extended the offer to provide services and care to animals in the event of an emergency.
- D. Dave Ricard - Expressed an issue with 4 wheelers racing around near the quarry in West Pawlet and requested that no trespassing signs or a barricade of sorts be placed to deter. The Board agrees with the addition of barricades and approves the Road's Crew to move forward with placing barricades.
6. Announcements - None.
7. Reports:
- A. Zoning Administrator's Report –
- Mr. Mach shared that there has been activity in his world, but nothing to note at this time.
- B. Road Foreman's Report:
- Mr. Mason requested at least three signatures for TA 65 grant. Signatures provided.
 - Mr. Mason began conversations regarding gravel, or a product of the like, to be purchased to be utilized for the remaining portion of Pawlet/Rupert Mtn. Road not covered by the grant project along with additional back roads which could use attention.
 - Mr. Mason inquired as to status of letter regarding the garden on Cemetery Hill. Letter to be sent with read receipt once there is approval from the Select Board Chair.
- C. Assessor Report:
- The Board reviewed the Assessor's Report.
- D. Emergency Management Director's Report- Reviewed on 7/3/18
- E. Public Health Officer's Report- Reviewed on 7/3/18.
- F. Town Clerk's Memo:
- The Board reviewed the Town Clerk's Memo.
- G. Town Treasurer's Memo:
- The Board reviewed the Treasurer's memo.
 - Judy Coolidge - Presented and reviewed the anticipated Tax Rate for FY19 with the Board. Following discussions, preliminary rates were set as Homestead Rate: \$1.8614 and Non-Residential Rate: \$2.1053. These rates are to be reviewed again following final completion of Grand List.

- Motion made to accept preliminary rates listed above (Homestead Rate: \$1.8614, Non-Residential Rate: \$2.1053).
 - Mover: Ed Cleveland
 - 2nd: John Malcolm
 - Discussion: None
 - Result: Approved (unanimous)
- The Board signed checks.
 - The Board reviewed the warrants
 1. Motion to approve the warrants
 2. Mover: John Malcolm
 3. Second: Bob Jones
 4. Discussion: None
 5. Result: Approved (Unanimous)
- h. Waste Water Treatment Facility:
- Email message from Jeff Tornyos stated that all passed for the month of June.
8. Old or unfinished business – None.
9. New Business – Ed Cleveland shared a proposal from R.E. Greene to repair existing deck of the Town Hall.
10. Motion made to enter Executive Session to discuss legal situation and possible settlement at 8:53pm.
- Motion made to exit Executive Session with no settlements made at 9:44pm.
 - Mover: Bob Jones
 - 2nd: Ed Cleveland
 - Discussion: None
 - Result: Approved (unanimous)
11. Motion made to Adjourn at 9:47 pm
- Mover: Bob Jones
 - Second: Ed Cleveland
 - Discussion: None
 - Result: Approved (Unanimous)