

Final Minutes
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF PAWLET
June 16, 2020
7:00 pm Virtually via Zoom
Regular Meeting

Members in Attendance:

Mike Beecher
John Malcolm
Bob Jones
Chuck Weeden
Ed Cleveland

Others in Attendance:

Kristin Powers
Frank Nelson
Tom Collard
Harry Van Meter
Bob Morlino
Keith Mason

EVENT

1. Call to order at 7:11 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items
 - a. Additions:
 - Letter to the Board from Tom Collard (re: RRPC & RRTAC)
 - Letter to the Board from Frank Nelson (re: PPC)
 - Bob Morlino re: Health Officer
 - Updated communication from Elan City re: solar speed signs
 - b. Deletions: None.
3. Introduction of those present by chairperson
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - Motion made to approve the minutes of June 2, 2020 as printed.
 - Mover: Ed Cleveland
 - 2nd: John Malcolm

- Discussion: None.
 - Result: Chuck Weeden, John Malcom, Bob Jones, Ed Cleveland – in favor. Approved (unanimous).
5. Pre-Requested Appearances by local citizens and visitors:
- Bob Morlino, Health Officer, shared an update regarding an unpermitted building demolition. Board will be updated with next steps as the situation evolves.
6. Announcements:
- None.
7. Reports:
- A. Zoning Administrator's Report:
- The Board reviewed a report submitted by the ZA.
 - SB Assistant to look into Better Places Proposal.
- B. Planning Commission's Report:
- Harry Van Meter shared a report from the PPC.
- C. Road Foreman's Report:
- The Board reviewed a report submitted by the Road Foreman regarding necessary maintenance on Town equipment/vehicles and roads.
 - Motion made to approve the driveway permit for Mr. Barden on North Pawlet Road.
 - Mover: John Malcolm
 - 2nd: Ed Cleveland
 - Discussion: Bob Jones to sign on behalf of the Board.
 - Result: Ed Cleveland, John Malcolm, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden – In favor. Approved (unanimous).
- D. Assessor Report:
- Motion made to accept the CAI GIS 2020 Maintenance Invoice/Contract for September 2020-August 2021.
 - Mover: John Malcolm
 - 2nd: Ed Cleveland
 - Discussion: Bob Jones to sign on behalf of the Board following the roll call vote and motion.
 - Result: Ed Cleveland, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden, John Malcolm – In favor. Approved (unanimous).
- E. Town Clerk's Memo:
- The Board reviewed the Town Clerk's memo.

- Motion made to approve first class, third class and outdoor consumption liquor licenses for The Barn Restaurant and Tavern.
 - Mover: Chuck Weeden
 - 2nd: John Malcolm
 - Discussion: The Board established that Bob Jones is the designated signer on behalf of the Selectboard.
 - Result: John Malcolm, Ed Cleveland, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden – in favor. Approved (unanimous).

F. Town Treasurer's Memo:

- The Board reviewed the Town Treasurer's Report.
- Motion made to approve the warrants.
 - Mover: Chuck Weeden
 - 2nd: Ed Cleveland
 - Discussion: None.
 - Result: John Malcolm, Ed Cleveland, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden – in favor. Approved (unanimous).
- Motion made to approve the purchase of flags.
 - Mover: Ed Cleveland
 - 2nd: John Malcolm
 - Discussion: Brief discussion ensued regarding the timeline of which the flags are put up and taken down.
 - Result: John Malcolm, Ed Cleveland, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden – in favor. Approved (unanimous).
- Re: propane contracts, the Board wished for prices from Irving and Dorr before making a final decision.
- Motion made to approve purchase of checks from existing company the Town has done business with in Vermont.
 - Mover: Ed Cleveland
 - 2nd: Bob Jones
 - Discussion: None.

- Result: John Malcolm, Ed Cleveland, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden – in favor. Approved (unanimous).
 - The Board supported the payment of the Wastewater fee online via credit card.
- G. Emergency Management Director's Report:
- No report at this meeting.
- H. Health Officer's Report:
- No report at this meeting.
- I. Waste Water Treatment Facility:
- Chairman Beecher reviewed a report from the WWTF.
8. Old or unfinished business:
- The Board discussed an updated communication with Elan City, the vendor for the solar speed radar signs. Discussion to be continued in FY2021.
 - The Board discussed possibilities for moving forward with open positions in the Town.
 - Mr. Weeden mentioned a bill from Hubbard that should be coming the Town's way by the next meeting.
9. New Business:
- Tom Collard submitted a letter to the board expressing interest in taking over as the Town of Pawlet's local primary representative for the Rutland Regional Planning Commission and Rutland Regional Transportation Advisory following Eric Mach's retirement from the aforementioned position.
 - Motion made to approve Mr. Collard's request of becoming the Town of Pawlet's local primary representative for the RRPC and RRTAC.
 - Mover: Ed Cleveland
 - 2nd: Chuck Weeden
 - Discussion: None
 - Result: John Malcolm, Ed Cleveland, Bob Jones, Chuck Weeden – in favor. Approved (unanimous).
 - Frank Nelson submitted a letter to the board expressing interest in filling the vacant role on the Pawlet Planning Commission following Eric Mach's retirement.
 - Discussion ensued and the PPC and SB expressed the desire advertise this position prior to filling immediately. To be discussed further at the PPC meeting on 6/22/20.

10. Public Comment:

- Mr. Weeden brought to the Board's attention a road sign that is nearly in the road. Mr. Jones will take a look.
- Mr. Van Meter inquired about open meetings moving forward as the Covid-19 pandemic progresses. Discussion continued regarding virtual opportunities moving forward.

11. Motion made to Adjourn at 8:41 pm

- Mover: Chuck Weeden
- Second: Ed Cleveland
- Discussion: None.
- Result: Chuck Weeden, John Malcolm, Bob Jones, Ed Cleveland - in favor. Approved (Unanimous)