

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 9, 2018, 5:30 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

Present: Selectboard members Richard Baker, Laurie Colgan and Christopher Martin; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Energy Committee members Wes Cate and Rebecca Wigg

At 5:30 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Martin

Changes or additions to the agenda: junk car, dam update, complaint on Cabot Road
Public Comment: Wes Cate reported that there are abandoned tires on Laird Pond Road.
Review and Approval of Minutes: September 25, 2018

EV Charging Station: Becky Wigg and Wes Cate explained a grant opportunity to install an electric vehicle charging station at the Old Schoolhouse Common. There is a grant program from the State that pays 90% of the cost. The 10% match can be in-kind work. Chris asked how the electricity would be paid for. They explained that the Town of Plainfield installed a station at their Park & Ride, and people pay for the electricity on the honor system. They have collected more than enough to pay for the electricity that they have used. The station could be set up to accept credit cards or other payment methods. The station would need to be on pavement and accessible. It would need to be a universal charger. In addition to the cost of the station, there would be costs for conduit and lighting, and running the electricity to the station. Rich feels that it is a good idea but should be paid for by the users and there shouldn't be a charge to other residents. The Board approved applying for the grant as long as there is no ongoing cost to us. The energy committee will do more research as they are applying.

Hazard Mitigation Plan: The Board agreed to apply for a grant with CVRPC for rewriting the plan.

Sidewalk Snow Removal: The Town did not receive any bids for snow removal. The Board will try to find someone who is interested in the work.

Cabot Rd: Chris received a complaint about dirt bikes on the Cabot Road. He will forward the complaint to the State Police.

School St: The Selectboard approved the request to reclassify School Street from Class 3 to Class 2. Bobbi will send the request to VTrans.

Town Garage: The Road Crew and Dan Tetreault have replaced the damaged siding on the Town Garage.

Animal Control Policy: Animal Control Officer Mia Roethlein asked the Selectboard what the Town's policy is for emergency care for an animal that she picks up. The Board felt that the animal should be stabilized and held until the owner can be found, at which point the owner would decide

what to do. Bobbi will ask other towns if they have a written policy.

Insurance Renewal: The Board discussed the insurance limits and decided not to make any changes this year.

Old Schoolhouse Common: The Board reviewed the leases and made minor changes.

Dam Update: Green Mountain Power wants to have separate hearings for the service spillway and emergency spillway. The Agency of Natural Resources wants to have a combined process.

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the October 9, 2018 Selectboard Meeting.
A True Record. Attest, _____, Town Clerk
