

Town of Winhall Selectboard
Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 1, 2023

PRESENT: Stuart Coleman; Bill Schwartz; Julie Isaacs; Lissa Stark (Town Administrator); Lucia Wing (Secretary), Trevor Dryden (Highway); Chief Tienken (Police)

ALSO: Deb Avison (Town Treasurer)

CALL TO ORDER: Coleman opened the meeting at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (None)

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

The Selectboard & Chief Tienken reviewed the monthly police report for January to include traffic tickets and warnings; false alarms; animal control issues; property watch matters; DUI's; medical assists in an around Winhall and Stratton Resort; and other. Chief reported that January was a busy month to include a snowmobile crash, vehicle speeding, tickets, and warnings; Dui's; and multiple weather-related accidents. Staffing was all good; some officers taking training; discussion followed. Chief suggested opening-up CPR classes to the community. The Selectboard agreed- a good idea.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Dryden reported cars were parking in Town roads as a result of the multiple Airbnb's and other, making plowing difficult; discussion followed to find solutions.

ACCESS PERMITS: (No permits)

CANNABIS CONTOL COMMISSION:FYI: Selectboard

BENSON FULLER INTERSECTION: ACCESS ROAD UPDATE:

Dryden and the Town Administrator would meet to develop on RFP to hire an engineer to review the Benson Fuller, Upper Taylor Hill intersection. Schwartz reported he had tried on multiple occasions to contact the owners with adjacent land on Mt. Haunts Road; no response to date. Dryden reported there were currently (4) completed hydraulic studies relative to the Access Road.

TAX MAP MAINTENANCE PROPOSAL/CONTRACT

After review, the Selectboard approved and signed the contract with Cartographic Associates Inc.; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.*

TOWN-WIDE REAPPRAISAL:FYI: Signed with NEMRC.

COMPUTER SYSTEM UPDATE: FYI: Internet fiber installed on 2/6 at Town Hall. Discussion followed.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: DISCUSSION:

Tim Taylor, Board of Trustees at the Mountain School, had reached out to the Zoning Administrator about affordable housing and how Winhall might use land to build housing for local employees and MSW staff. The Selectboard agreed the Planning Commission should be the entity to investigate.

MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM:

The Town Administrator reported she started the RFQ process to hire an engineer. SB agreed to go forward. The Village of Bondville would be required to be a Designated Village Center in order to qualify for grant funding for a municipal wastewater system. The Planning Commission had applied for a grant to revise the Town Plan which was another vehicle to qualify for wastewater funding.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS:

FYI: The Short-Term Rental Committee was in process of drafting language for an Ordinance; they had not met recently.

COMMUNITY UNION DISTRICT UPDATE: FYI: Fred Schwacke would keep Selectboard current relative to broadband in Winhall.

ADMINISTRATIVE & CORRESPONDENCE: FYI: Policy Updates/ Ordinance/Correspondence

APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTE(S):

After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of 1/4/23 & 1/18/23 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*


WARRANTS: After review, the Selectboard approved warrant 2/1/23 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

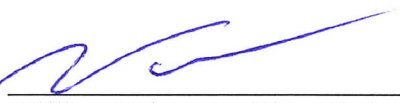
At 6:20 the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* At 6:45 PM the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* No decisions were rendered.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.*

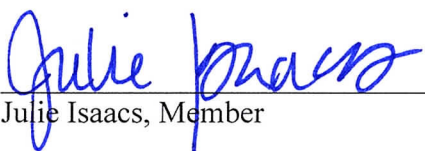
Lucia Wing, Secretary,
Winhall Selectboard



E. Stuart Coleman, Chair



William Schwartz, Vice-Chair



Julie Isaacs, Member