Town of Winhall Selectboard Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 7, 2024

PRESENT: Stuart Coleman; Bill Schwartz; Julie Isaacs; Lissa Stark (Town Administrator); Lucia Wing (Secretary); Derrick Tienken (Police); Beth Grant (Town Clerk); Al Bilka (Ass. Town Clerk)

ALSO: Marcel Gisquet (Planning), Donald Derby (Roads), Patrick Salo (Dog Warden), Erin Cantrell

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (None)

PUBLIC HEARING: TOWN PLAN AMENDMENT:

Coleman opened the Public Hearing at 5:35 PM. The purpose of the Hearing was to adopt the Town Plan Amendment; Gisquet (WPC) gave a brief overview. No members of the Public were in attendance; there were no comments. After review, Isaacs made the motion to adopt the Town Plan Amendment as presented to change the Village of Bondville portion of the Town Plan to a Village Center Designation; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.

BONDVILLE FAIR UPDATE:

Beth Grant, representing the Bondville Fair Committee, came before the Selectboard asking them for their support for the Winhall Industrial Society to hold the Bondville Fair, August 23rd-25th, 2024; *motion by Schwartz;* seconded by Isaacs; unanimous. The Board signed a letter dated 2/7/24 to that effect (see attached).

EXECTIVE SESSION:

At 5:40 PM the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss dog issues and personnel matters; motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous. At 6:05 PM the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session; motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous. Out of executive session, Isaacs made the motion to sign a contract with Donald Derby for part-time work at the Transfer Station and Highway Department; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous. In addition, the Board agreed to cover veterinarian expenses relative to an injured dog (owner unknown).

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

- 1) Chief and the Selectboard reviewed the police report for January to include: Traffic tickets & warnings; animal control matters; property watch; alarm calls; DUI's; and motor & medical assists in and around Winhall and the Stratton Mountain Resort. Chief reported police staffing was up to par; AUD replacements were ordered and on the way; body cams had been purchased with grant funds available; and Jake LaCasse was schedule to attend a forensic children's class.
- 2) The Police & Fire Alarm Ordinance had been finalized; three (3) publicly warned meetings would follow for Selectboard approval as required. Discussion followed about installation of knox boxes; Coleman would order one for demonstration and introduction at Town Meeting Day in March.

ACCESS PERMITS: (None)

LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD: (No Report)

TOWN WEBSITE UPDATE:

The Town Administrator reported she had emailed the latest updates from Revize to include Sitemap info. relative to the Town website. Revize was asking for input; discussion followed.

BENSON FULLER INTERSECTION UPDATE: FYI: (No response from surveyors to the RFQ to date)

TOWN TREASURER REPORT:

The Town Treasurer submitted recent financials and asked for permission to renew the current 3-month CD. The Selectboard responded to move forward. Discussion followed relative to the Emergency Management Expenses line item.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING/WASTEWATER UPDATE:

The Town Plan Amendment would allow changing the Village of Bondville portion of the Town Plan to a Village Designation Center. The Amendment would enable the Town to apply for grants including wastewater.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS: STR ORDINANCE UPDATE:

VLCT had completed its legal review of the STR Ordinance. Gisquet was moving ahead with revisions to the Ordinance based on VLCT recommendations and requirements.

CARTOGRAPHIC ASSOCIATES ANNUAL CONTRACT:

After review, the Selectboard signed the above contract with CAI for Winhall tax map maintenance; *motion by Schwartz*; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.

TOWN CLERK REPORT:

The Town Clerk reminded the Selectboard the Board of Civil Authority was scheduled to meet on 2/29/24 at 8AM at the Town Hall.

POLICIES & PROCEDURES:

The Selectboard duly noted correspondence from the Town Attorneys with their increased legal fees.

APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTE(S):

After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of 1/17/24 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous*.

WARRANTS:

After review, the Selectboard approved warrant 2/7/24 as presented; motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM; motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.

Lucia Wing, Secretary, Winhall Selectboard

E. Stuart Coleman, Chair

William Schwartz, Vice-Chair

Julie Isaacs, Member

Winhall Vermont Select Board

#115 Vermont Route 30 Bondville, VT 05340

Dear State of Vermont Department of Public Safety,

The Winhall Select Board approves and supports the Winhall Industrial Society Inc; DBA Bondville Fair

Event:

Bondville Fair August 23rd-25th, 2024 10AM-10PM

Dated: February 7, 2024

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William Schwartz, Vice Chair

Julie Isaacs, Member