# Town of Winhall Selectboard Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, February 16, 2022

**PRESENT:** Stuart Coleman, Julie Isaacs, Bill Schwartz; Lucia Wing (Secretary); Lissa Stark (Town Administrator); Scott Bushee (Facilities); Trevor Dryden (Roads)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Coleman called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM at the Town Hall in Bondville.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** (None)

### **HIGHWAY REPORT:**

- 1) Dryden reported the new Town truck had finally arrived; culverts needed to be freed up because of ice and freezing conditions; bids for sand and road striping would be ready to go out shortly; the salt supply would make it through the remainder of the winter; the State had not yet released the hydraulic study relative to the Access Road culverts.
- 2) FYI: Benson Fuller/Taylor Hill Road intersection improvements; recommendation to wait until spring; Coleman would contact the owner on Mt. Haunts Road relative to the above.

ACCESS PERMIT(S): No access permits.

## TRANSFER STATION & FACILITIES REPORT:

Scott Bushee reported Transfer Station mostly status quo. Bushee stated he would be careful about selling 15 gal. bags because of short supply; 30-gallon bags were available; to date bags at the Transfer Station were available. The Transfer Station gate needed to be fixed; the heat was off temporarily at the Town Hall, but fixed; there were some minor repairs required at the Winhall Library. A bid would go out soon relative to fixing septic problems at the Fire Station.

## AFFORDABE HOUSING: CONTINUED DISCUSSION:

The Selectboard continued discussion relative to Town-owned land at the end of Kendall Farm Road being designated for affordable housing use. Isaacs stated she would like to see at least (50) units devoted to that purpose as there was no affordable housing in Winhall. Discussion followed relative to State grants for roads and other infrastructure; subdivision of land versus a planned unit development; units designated for full-time use only per deed; and ways to incentivize developers. The Selectboard would continue to look at options to increase affordable housing in Winhall.

### **TOWN MEETING UPDATE:**

Town Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at the Town Garage; both the Selectboard and the School Board would be present.

### **COMMUNICATIONS UNION DISTRICT UPDATE:**

The Town Administrator had not yet received the survey from Fred Schwacke as discussed. To date he had not communicated with her.

# **COMMUNITY HEALTH DISCUSSION:** Status quo

## **MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER SYSTEM:**

The Selectboard discussed bringing a septic line from the Fire District sewer plant located in Stratton into Bondville for Village use; Coleman had gone to a recent Fire District meeting to talk about allocation. He mentioned he had contacted Ed Floyd, Technicon, to potentially study ways to develop a much-needed system for Winhall. Discussion followed relative to State grants. The Town Administrator would research further.

### TOWN LISTER APPOINTMENT:

After review, the Selectboard appointed Anne Filley to the Board of Listers to serve out the remainder of Ray Guttroff's term; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous*.

### **ADMINISTRATIVE:**

- 1) The Town Administrator asked the Selectboard about purchasing replacement grave site flag holders; the Selectboard agreed to purchase 30 (unbudgeted expense); *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.*
- 2) After review the Selectboard approved and signed the Certificate- No Appeal or Suit Pending; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.*
- 3) After review the Selectboard approved and signed the Department of Labor Employer Services re: payroll changed from Pay Data; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

## PAST MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:

After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of 2/2/22 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* 

### **WARRANTS:**

After review the Selectboard approved warrant dated 02/16/22 as presented; *motion by Schwartz*; *seconded by Isaacs*; *unanimous*.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* 

Lucia Wing, Secretary Winhall Selectboard

Stuart Coleman, Chair

Julie Isaacs, Vice-Chair

William Schwartz, Member