Town of Winhall Selectboard Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, March 16, 2022

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

<u>MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC</u>: Mike Wilson (Health Officer), Beth Grant (Town Clerk), Pat Moyna & Jeff Cavagnino (Stratton)

CALL TO ORDER: Coleman opened the meeting at 5:00 PM at the Town Hall in Bondville.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 5:05 PM the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss Town health matters; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* At 5:20 PM the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* Out of executive session, the Selectboard agreed to have the Town Health Officer confer with the Town attorney relative to Town health matters; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

ELECTION OF SELECTBOARD: After review, Isaacs made the motion to elect Stuart Coleman as Chair and Bill Schwartz as Vice-Chair; unanimous.

APPROVE BOARD MEETING DATES & TIMES:

After review, the Selectboard approved SB meetings for the first & third Wednesdays of the month at 5:30 PM; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous*.

APPROVE MEDIA OF RECORD: POSTING PLACES: APPOINTMENTS:

After review, the Selectboard approved the following: <u>Media of record-</u> Vermont News Guide; <u>posting places-</u> Town Offices, Bondville Post Office, Winhall Market, Winhall Website: <u>Appointments-</u> Pound Keeper & Animal Control Officer, Patrick Salo; Tree Warden, Stuart Coleman; Town Service Officer, Elizabeth Grant; Windham Reg. Commission (currently 2 vacancies); SB member to sign checks/payorders between meetings, currently any member; Town Health Officer, Mike Wilson; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.*

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (None)

STRATTON ACCESS ROAD: Pat Moyna and Jeff Cavagnino (Stratton Corp.) came before the Selectboard to discuss repaving a portion of the Access Rd. currently in rough condition. Moynihan gave an overall view of existing road conditions and materials and agreed some sections needed reclaiming sooner rather than later. The approx. 1-mile stretch from High Meadow Road to slightly below Upper Taylor Hill Road was the roughest part. Stratton and the Selectboard discussed cost to reclaim the road and replacing culverts prior to fixing the road. Everyone agreed to get together and drive the road on Monday AM 3/21/22; they would invite Fuller Excavating to accompany them for advice. In the meantime, the Town Administrator would put together an RFP to go out to bid.

BENSON FULLER/UPPER TAYLOR HILL INTERSECTION: FYI: Currently on hold

<u>HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: REPORT:</u> Dryden reported that the line striping RFP for designated Town roads would be issued shortly.

SHORT-TERM RENTALS: FYI: Brief discussion on current status of short-term rentals in Winhall; the Planning Commission was on top of it.

COMMUNITY CENTER & HEALTH UPDATE: FYI: status quo

<u>COMMUNITY UNION DISTRICT: UPDATE:</u> Fred Schwacke had handed out broadband/internet information at Town Meeting. Discussion followed relative to a consolidated Town-wide mailing. The Town Administrator would contact Schwacke.

<u>MUNICIPAL WASTERWATER: DISCUSSION:</u> State funding was available for municipal wastewater projects; discussion followed. Coleman added he had contacted Ed Floyd (Technicon) but had not heard back.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING: DISCUSSION; FYI: The Selectboard had discussed the idea of affordable housing development on Town-owned land located at the end of Kendall Farm Road; affordable housing was an ever-increasing matter in Winhall and in Vermont.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 6:05 PM the Selectboard voted to go into executive session to discuss Highway personnel matters; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* At 6:18 PM the Selectboard voted to come out of executive session; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* No decisions were rendered.

<u>LIQUOR BOARD MEETING:</u> At 6:20PM, the Selectboard closed its meeting and opened the Liquor Board Meeting; in the meeting, the Liquor Board approved a liquor license for Mistrals; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* The Liquor Board reopened the Selectboard meeting at 6:25PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE & CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) Schwartz brought up the Pitelli Subdivision located on Sugarbush Extension in Forest Farms; there was an interested buyer for the three lots. Schwartz explained currently wastewater and water were under deferral. There was an existing access to the Municipal Forest. The Planning Commission was scheduling a meeting on 4/19/22 to review the above.
- 2) After review, the Selectboard agreed they would not bid on the Franco lot (going up for tax sale) on Sylvan Ridge road; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Coleman; unanimous*.
- 3) Correspondence included letter(s) from NEMERIC and Woolmington Law Offices stating their billing rates had increased. The Town Administrator would plan for an April Newsletter.

<u>APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTE(S)</u>: After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of 2/16/22 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous*.

<u>WARRANTS</u>: After review, the Selectboard approved warrant #03/16/22 along with review of additional bills; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous*.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM; motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.

Lucia Wing, Secretary, Winhall Selectboard

E. Stuart Coleman, Chair

William Schwartz, Vice-Chair

Julie Isaacs, Member