

**Town of Winhall Selectboard  
Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, July 18, 2018**

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**PRESENT:** Bill Schwartz, Stuart Coleman, Dave Glabach; Lucia Wing (Secretary); Lissa Stark (Absent); Trevor Dryden (Roads)

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** Julie Isaacs, Paola DeBitetto

**CALL TO ORDER:** Schwartz called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM at the Town Hall.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE UPDATE:**

Julie Isaacs commented about a number of complaints voiced by residents regarding fewer flowers in Town; the Beautification Committee would revisit this for next year. Discussion followed relative to holiday decorating; Homestead's role in the beautification process in Winhall; coordinating with the Library Committee for beautification purposes; and contacting the Veterans Association for flags. Schwartz suggested a one-time purchase for reusable decorations for the telephone poles on the bridge. Isaacs commented she would look into replacing the "Welcome to Winhall" sign which had been demolished during the winter on the Access Road. Glabach would provide stones and earth. Isaacs stated she had been in contact with Homestead about barrels and receptacles the Town owned.

**POLICE REPORT:** (No report)

**HIGHWAY REPORT:**

1) Dryden reported stones were needed for underneath the front porch at the Old Town Hall; cost \$5,000-\$6,000 (approx.). Glabach suggested finding volunteers to help out with the stones. The Selectboard would budget for landscaping and stones for the Old Town Hall for the following fiscal year.

2) Dryden reported Andrew Ward, a Winhall property owner, had sent a letter suggesting paving Pearl Buck Drive; his second request. Ward felt the road was dangerous and difficult to maintain especially in the winter. The Selectboard noted that paving often encouraged faster driving; discussion followed. Coleman and Dryden would review the request.

3) Coleman asked about the status of culverts on Benson Fuller Road; Dryden responded "in process;" he was adding material to the road to keep the culverts from sinking further.

4) Dryden reported the Highway Department kept fixing Chandolin Road frequently (off Bromley Forest Road); discussion followed about developing a cul-de-sac or throwing up the road. There was also a similar road in Vermont Ventures. Dryden and Coleman would investigate.

5) Dryden commented that mowing the sides of Town roads was almost complete.

6) Discussion followed relative to River Road reconfiguration. The Town Administrator had contacted the Windham Regional Commission relative to grant money; the WRC did not have current designs for River Road. The Selectboard concluded that the Town Administrator should reapply for a new grant.

**ACCESS PERMIT:**

Before signing, *Schwartz made the motion authorizing Stuart Coleman to review an access replacement permit for Thomas Gibbons, #24 Nearing Road; seconded by Glabach; unanimous.* The Highway Foreman abstained from signing the permit.

**TRANSFER STATION REPORT:** (No report)

**FACILITIES REPORT:** (No report)

**OLD TOWN HALL: CONSTRUCTION UPDATE:**

Coleman reported the State elevator inspector had reviewed the elevator at the Old Town Hall and given it a conditional CO; the inspector required a ventilation fan be installed; adding the ventilator was underway and the inspector would return for final approval. The fire inspector would arrive the following day for his final inspection and approval; the handrail on the old stairway would need to be replaced.

**TAX RATES: NEW BUSINESS:**

After review, *Coleman made the motion accepting the Town of Winhall Tax Rate Computation for 2018-2019 at \$.3101. The State of Vermont Homestead Education Tax Rate was set at \$2.1225; the Non-Residential Education Tax Rate was set at \$1.6307; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.*

**LEASE LAND DEED (QUIT CLAIM DEED):**

After review, the Selectboard approved the Lease Land Deed as written; *motion by Coleman; seconded by Glabach; unanimous.*

**PERSONNEL & FACILITIES USE POLICY:**

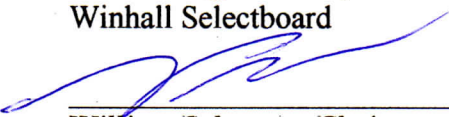
The Selectboard tabled the personnel & facilities use policies until they had time to review them. The Selectboard would review them in depth prior to discussion.

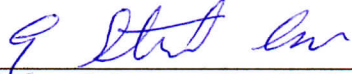
**APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES:** After review, the Selectboard approved the minutes of July 11, 2018 as presented; *motion by Coleman; seconded by Glabach; unanimous.*

**WARRANTS & PAYROLL:** No warrants.

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM; *motion by Glabach; seconded by Coleman; unanimous.*

Lucia Wing, Secretary  
Winhall Selectboard

  
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William Schwartz, Chair

  
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Stuart Coleman, Vice-Chair

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Dave Glabach, Member