#### Town of Winhall Selectboard Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, December 15, 2021

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

## **IN ATTENDANCE:** None

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 International plow was fixed and back in good working order; the new Town truck had been delivered and was close to be ready for use; salt had been delivered but was chunky in texture; discussion followed about replacing the backhoe and upgrading or replacing the Dodge Ram for improved winter use. Relative to the upcoming budget 2022/23, discussion followed about the increase in materials and doing business in general which increased budget items; Dryden suggested they consider making the Stratton Mt. Access Road its own item. Dryden reported plowing the Town Hall, Fire Station, and Community Center was going smoothly.

2) Isaacs reported she had written the owners on Mt. Haunts Road about the Benson Fuller/Taylor Hill intersection relative to using a portion of their land to improve the intersection and make it safer; to date she had not gotten a response.

### ACCESS PERMIT(S):

After review, the Selectboard approved a final access permit for Christie Boswell, #51 Beaver; final access permit plus 18" culvert replacement for Ian Goldstein, #366 Winhall Hollow Road; final access permit plus 18" culvert replacement for Charles Cavanaugh, #8 Deer Street; and an access permit for David Piperni, # 9 Little Brook Road; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* 

### TRANSFER STATION & FACILITIES REPORT:

Dryden reported Scott Bushee was developing an upcoming Covid-19 protocol for the Transfer Station which included use of the Swap Shop; discussion followed.

### SHORT-TERM RENTALS

FYI: discussion followed relative to the huge growth of short-term rentals in Winhall and other resort communities around the US; the SB talked about Killington's zoning regulations as noteworthy.

## **COMMUNICATIONS UNION DISTRICT:**

The Selectboard discussed correspondence from Fred Schwacke asking for availability for an 8' x 10' space for Communication/broadband purposes. The Selectboard talked about space above the 4-bay garage as potentially appropriate.

### **COMMUNITY HEALTH DISCUSSION:**

FYI: The Selectboard discussed a mask mandate for municipal buildings; no vote taken. They unanimously agreed they did not want to hold meetings remotely on Zoom; they would continue in-person meetings as scheduled.

### TOWN REPORT UPDATE:

The Selectboard discussed a request to re-include a vital statistics section in the Town Report; the Town Clerk and/or Town Lister Administrator would have the required information; the Selectboard would also pass on the request to the Town Administrator.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE/CORRESPONDENCE:

1) FYI: Audit Findings Letter.

2) Correspondence included a letter from a resident on Winhall Hollow Road requesting a "Bear Crossing" sign and letter from the Brattleboro Dev. Corp.

2) FYI upcoming budget for 2022/2023. The Selectboard would need to finalize the budget at their meeting scheduled for 1/5/22.

#### **APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES:**

After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of December 1, 2021 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Coleman; unanimous.* 

#### **NO WARRANTS:**

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