Poultney Board of Selectmen Meeting Monday, May 24, 2021 – 6:30 pm

Poultney Town Hall

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Agenda

1) Adoption of the Agenda

2) Approval of Minutes: 05/11/2021

- 3) Public Comments and Concerns (limit of 15 minutes per topic):
 - -Young At Heart Senior Center Resolution to apply for grant
- 4) Road Report:
 - -Bridge #4 Route 31 / Grove and South Streets
- 5) Town Manager's Report
 - -Memorial Day Parade
 - -Fourth of July Parade
 - -Fourth of July Fireworks
 - -Summer Recreation
 - -Deed transfer to Mark Teetor
 - -Slate Quarry Park project
 - -Liquor License: Full Belly Deli
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business
- 7) Executive Session:
- 8) Health Officer's Report
- 9) Rutland Regional Planning Commission
- 10) Board Orders
- 11) Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

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Terry Williams called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Terry Williams (via Zoom), George Miller (via Zoom), Carol Bunce and Sheryl Porrier. Others present included Paul A. Donaldson, Ron Kelley, Highway Foreman, Jonas Rosenthal, Michelle McCarron, and Mary Reed (via Zoom).

<u>Adoption of the Agenda:</u> Carol Bunce made a motion to adopt the agenda. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Carol Bunce made a motion to approve the minutes of May 11, 2021 with a spelling correction. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

<u>Public Comments and Concerns:</u> Jonas Rosenthal presented the board with the proposed grant agreement for the pavilion and the rubberized track at the Young At Heart Senior Center, and the resolution to apply for the grant. Michelle McCarron presented letters of support for the same. Discussion followed. Sheryl Porrier made a motion to apply for the grant and to execute the Resolution. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed with Terry Williams supporting the motion. Carol Bunce opposed the motion.

Road Report: Ron Kelley reported the following:

- -Bridge No. 4, Route 31 Grove and South Street. After an inspection of the bridge this morning, the State of Vermont has ordered the bridge to be downgraded to 3 ton limit, or in the alternative, to close the bridge to all traffic if the town is unable to effectively monitor and enforce the weight limit. There has been discovered a significant crack in the chord (main carrying beam of the bridge). Discussion followed. Discussion on whether a temporary bridge can be used there. Terry Williams has communicated with the Quarrymen's Association about this weight limit. Sheryl Porrier made a motion that the bridge be downgraded to 3 ton weight limit. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor. Ron Kelley is working on getting signage for the same.
- -Ron has given Joel and Brad grading lessons. Every gravel road has been graded with the exception of Griffin and Watkins Roads.
- -The crew is on Old Lake Road doing ditching, stone lining, and replacement of several cross-drains. Some of this work qualifies for MRGP work, and some of the work is FEMA work.
- -Ron will be bringing the grader to Leap Frog Nursery School in connection with Public Workers Recognition week.

-Paul Donaldson received a letter of thanks to Ron and the crew for placing bridge open to bikes and pedestrians on the Thrall Road Bridge closed signs.

Town Managers Report:

-Discussion re: Memorial Day Parade. The American Legion will be doing the parade this year, most of the veterans will not march but will ride in vehicles.

-Discussion re: Fourth of July Parade. Carol Bunce made a motion that we conduct the parade this year. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor. Jonas Rosenthal is working on putting together a theme.

-Discussion re: Fourth of July Fireworks. Paul Donaldson stated that the School Board at its most recent meeting approved to allow the use of the PES for fireworks. Carol Bunce made a motion to have fireworks and music only this year, with no activities at the PES. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

-Discussion re: Summer Recreation Program. Paul Donaldson stated that the School Board at its most recent meeting approved to allow the use of the PES facilities for the Summer Recreation Program. Sheryl Porrier stated she is trying to meet with Raj Bhakta's team to seek permission to use their facilities.

-Paul Donaldson stated he would like to finish up the transfer of property to Mark Teetor. Sheryl Porrier made a motion to authorize Jeff King to sign the transfer deed to Mark Teetor. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

-Paul Donaldson advised the board that the Slate Quarry Park Project is underway.

-Paul Donaldson presented the board with a Liquor License Application for prospective owners of Full Belly Deli. George Miller made a motion to approve the application. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

-Paul Donaldson is working with Danny and Carl from ReClaimed to design and build a new town office sign. He is hopeful to get the sign done by July 4.

Transact any Other Lawful Business: None.

Health Officer: None.

Rutland Regional Planning Commission: None.

Executive Session: None.

<u>Board Orders:</u> Carol Bunce made a motion to pay board orders. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>Adjournment:</u> George Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sheryl Porrier seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

s/Paul A. Donaldson