

# **Sandgate Select Board Meeting – August 6, 2018**

**Called to order at 6:40 pm**

**Attendance:** Suzy dePeyster, Mike Hill, Karen Tendrup, Tom Santelli, Karen Dzialo

**LEOP:** The Local Emergency Operating Plan was re-adopted for 2018. Josh Williams, executive director for the Arlington Rescue Squad serves as Emergency Management Coordinator. The email address for Town Clerk was updated. Mike Hill motioned to accept, Karen Tendrup seconded. All in favor.

**BCIC is requesting \$500** to fund their economic development efforts. Board will request that Jim Sullivan from BCRC attend a Board meeting in September to explain the project in more detail before we make a decision. Karen Dzialo will contact Jim Sullivan via email.

**Bedding Chopper** (unit to chop hay for the side of the road): Suzy dePeyster sent a letter to the ERP Grant Committee supporting the acquisition and use of the bedding chopper by Sandgate. The town agrees to pay \$625 as a required match toward the purchase.

**Grant Opportunity to upgrade diesel equipment:** Mike will check to see if the town would be able to benefit from this grant.

**Efficiency Vermont Report on Town Hall:** The town hall passed ok.

**Zoning Bylaw Review/Planning Commission** is looking for new members. Anyone interested in serving, should contact the Town for more information.

**Parcel maps will be ready for review this month**

**Signed Select Board and Road Orders**

**Review July 16, 2018 minutes:** Accepted with change to the tax rate. Motion to accept by Karen Tendrup, Tom Santelli seconded. All in favor.

**Tax Change:** The tax Rate that was approved at the 7/16/18 Selectmen's meeting is no longer valid, due to a change of the Homestead Education Tax Rate set by the State. The Homestead Education Rate went from 0.9878 to 1.4951. The new Homestead Tax Rate reflecting this is 2.0902 which is 0.0191 more than last year. The table below shows the change:

**Homestead Tax Rate**

Municipal \$0.5913

School \$1.4951

Local \$0.0039**\$2.0902** per thousand

\$2.0711 FY17/18

*+\$0.0191 more than last year***Non-Residential Tax Rate**

Municipal \$0.5913

School \$1.5606

Local \$0.0039**\$2.1557** per thousand

\$1.9970 FY17/18

*\$0.1587 difference*

**Road Report:** West Sandgate Road paving is done and looks good. Mike reported that he will be adding stone edging.

Lincoln Lane Bridge Project is completed. The town received a check from Miller Construction for \$500 in appreciation of the help given by the town Road Department, that made their job easier.

Roads that have washed out in the recent heavy storms, such as the upper portion of SE Corners, will be fixed as soon as possible, as weather permits.

**Mowing Update:** Mike reported that much of the town is completed, and he will continue to mow areas that need attention as time permits.

Berm removal will be done in the fall.

Mike is working on additional grants.

**The next meeting is August 20, 2018**

**NOTE: Board will meet on Sept 10 and Sept 24 because of Sept 3 holiday.**

Tom Santelli motioned to adjourn and Karen Tendrup seconded. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Dzialo