

Sandgate VT Select Board Meeting Minutes – October 5, 2020

CALL TO ORDER: 6:12 P.M.

ATTENDANCE: Suzy dePeyster, Karen Dzialo, Mike Hill, Tom Santelli, Karen Tendrup.

Citizens Present: Charles Pike, Rick Dahm, Maggie Hadleigh-West, Consie West, John Whalen, Atty.

TATE HILL/CHUNKS BROOK ROAD RECLASSIFICATION HEARING CONTINUATION:

September 30, 2020 meeting minutes were read. A motion to accept with the change of the spelling of “Hodleigh” changed to “Hadleigh” was made by Tom Santelli, seconded by Karen Tendrup. The Board heard comments from citizens: e.g. a concern over what could be expected regarding the condition of the proposed class 4 road; upkeep in case of emergency during a snow event; how often the road would be graded.

Rick Dahm gave a history of how the Town has handled Class 4 roads since 1981, using SE Corners Road as an example. SE Corners past the Kulmane property, was designated Class 4, whereas it was not plowed in the winter, and but kept passable for a 4-wheel drive vehicle.

Mike Hill explained how the State requires all Class 3 Roads to be brought up to standards by 2030; some of the requirements would be ditching that would be then filled with stone, cutting back trees 15 feet on each side, installing culverts as the State would determine. This would be very costly. The State also has rulings about sediment runoff on Town roads near trout streams. Almost all roads in Sandgate are next to streams. The Road Reclassification hearing is tabled to continue at the next regular meeting on October 19, 2020. A motion was made to continue road hearing at the October 19 meeting by Karen Tendrup, seconded by Tom Santelli. All in favor.

CLASS 4 ORDINANCE CONSIDERATION: Using an outline from the Vermont League of City & Town Model Class 4 Highway Policy and Guidance, The Board worked on a draft to submit to Town Attorney Merle Bent. Bill Henry, ZA and Suzy dePeyster will attend meeting with Merle Bent October 7, 2020.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE: None

Minutes from the September 28, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion to accept by Tom Santelli, seconded by Mike Hill. All in favor.

ORDERS WERE SIGNED

OTHER BUSINESS/FEMA UPDATE: The Board received an email from Ross Nagy, the State Public Assistance Coordinator regarding the Woodcock Road bridge project. Town will be responsible for completing the project. Sandy Reidy and Mike Hill will get in touch with Ross Nagy this Wednesday to get the specifications needed to move forward.

A motion to adjourn was made by Karen Dzialo, seconded by Karen Tendrup. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING AT THE TOWN HALL 6:00 PM OCTOBER 19, 2020

Respectfully submitted, Karen Dzialo