

SANDGATE VERMONT SELECTBOARD MINUTES - JUNE 20, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00

ATTENDANCE: Board Members: Karen Dzialo, Joe Nolan, John Phelps.

Also present: Tim Fagan, Deb DeSacia, Melissa Mattison, Linda Schmitt, Rick Dahm, and Arlington Fire Chief, Mike King.

PAYMENT FOR TANDEM TRUCK: The Board decides to have the Treasurer send \$1,000 deposit to hold the tandem truck until finances can be worked out to purchase.

UPDATE ON MISSING UNIFORMS, PAGERS AND RADIO: Rick Dahm arrives at the meeting. Rick states that he has gone to see the previous Road Foreman and has been given a pager. Tom Santelli has the radio and the other items should be in the filing cabinet at the garage. Mike Hill has said that he will not return the uniforms unless he is paid for the accrued leave hours he had earned. Rick Dahm had brought a printed copy of the town's personnel policy to Mike Hill. In this policy it states that any employee who does not give 2-weeks notice shall forfeit any leave time. Mike Hill said that he had not signed any contract, therefore it does not apply. Rick will visit Tom Santelli. Joe Nolan states that the entire board should be present to make any decisions on how to move forward. The Clerk/Treasurer has been asked to contact the labor board to ask what the best solution should be.

CITIZENS CONCERNS: Melissa Mattison asked to have an update on the health hazard at the Grogan Property. Karen Tendrup is not present at this meeting. The Board cannot answer any questions at the present time. Karen Tendrup will be asked to have more information at the next meeting. Melissa Mattison asks that the Road Crews weekly report be posted online.

ROAD REPORT: 2 weeks of road work is posted following these minutes.

TREASURERS REPORT: The Treasurer, Sandy Reidy presents the Treasurers report. Nothing to add.

REVIEW JUNE 6, 2022 MINUTES: Karen Dzialo makes a motion to approve the June 6, 2022 minutes. John Phelps seconds. The Board approves the minutes.

SIGN ORDERS: The board signs the orders.

OTHER BUSINESS: Mike King, the Arlington Fire Chief, reports on the hydrant test for the West Residence. Mike states that the test on this hydrant failed because they could not get enough pressure to facilitate their equipment. There is not enough pitch. The hydrant could be converted to a six-inch female adapter on the outside. Mike King adds that the hydrant is leaking down the hill and the fire truck had sunk. He continues to state that the Town could have saved a lot of money if they had asked the Fire Department what they had thought about this design. Joe Nolan asks if the hydrants are tested annually. Mike King states that to test the hydrants in town is above and beyond the yearly payment sent by the town. He continues that in order to test the hydrants it entails taking a couple days with a crew, flushing the systems and testing. He believes that there should be an extra charge for hydrant testing. Melissa Mattison states that the hydrant on Chunks Brook has been buried and out of order. Mike King replies that as long as there is water in the brook the Fire department can get it out with their water pump. The concerned parties will be notified to proceed with the fix of these hydrants.

ADJOURN: John Phelps makes a motion to adjourn. Karen Dzialo seconds. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL ON TUESDAY JULY 5, 2022 AT 6:00 PM AT THE SANDGATE TOWN HALL.

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Reidy.

A complete recording of these minutes is available upon request.

Road Report: 05/30 - 06/09

Date	Town of Sandgate Work Accomplished
5/30	Monday Memorial Day
5/31	Met with Jim Henderson to choose a location for his years grant and Aid project. Tuesday
6/1	graded and stone raked Tate Hill road off of west sandgate road to turn around Wednesday
6/2	cleaned up berm along ditch on West road. cleaned ditches Thursday graded and stone raked west road
6/6	Site visits with FEMA, VT trans, Josh Carvajal, and Jim Henderson for river bank reconstruction. Monday
6/7	day 2 of site visits with FEMA and Jim Henderson on road resurfacing and ditching Tuesday ditching with excavator on Tudor Hill rd
6/8	ditching on tudor rd road side mowing from sandgate road dirt to Bear town Wednesday construction
6/9	ditching on tudor rd with excavator and single axle dump. Thursday