

**Town of Charleston
Selectboard Meeting 6/28/18**

MINUTES

A meeting of the town Selectboard was held June 28, 2018. Attending: Selectpersons Meghann Carter, Glenn Peterson, and Larry Young; and Selectboard Clerk Colleen Kellogg.

THESE MINUTES ARE UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm. Motion by Mr. Peterson to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2018 meeting as written, seconded by Mr. Young and approved. There was no public comment.

ROAD REPORT

A fully executed state structures grant agreement has been received for cold planning and repaving the Durgin Rd bridge and patching an abutment crack. Pike has been notified and will get back to the town about a schedule. The road may need to be closed for membrane application. Ms. Kellogg informed Pike that the Town requires at least two weeks' notice to post closures. Mr. Peterson has questions about the patch material and will call Mike Green to let him know the grant came through.

Ms. Carter observed the highway crew using a roller behind the grader on Church Hill Rd and the outcome looks great.

OLD BUSINESS

An estimate from Sam Perron of NorthWoods Stewardship Center to update the Forest Management Plan for the Charleston Town Forest in Westmore was reviewed, including detailed map samples. Price is \$950.00. Mr. Peterson was impressed with the quality of the current plan also produced by NorthWoods. He moved to hire NorthWoods Stewardship Center for the job and budget for the cost in the 2019 budget, seconded by Mr. Young and approved, with Ms. Carter abstaining. The board would like to know if any EQIP assistance funds are available. Ms. Kellogg will notify Mr. Perron and ask him to a Selectboard meeting to discuss further.

Ms. Kellogg presented the website for monitoring solar array performance, including the amount of credits generated and individual panel performance. A summary version is also available at <http://charlestonvt.org/departments/community-solar/>. Ms. Kellogg also shared installer recommendations that the town look into an upgraded access gate to the pit as well as a fence around at least part of the array. Selectboard members agreed that if there is money left in the budget, the Solar Oversight Committee could seek estimates for both. Ms. Kellogg will work with the Treasurer on a project accounting for next week.

There was a short discussion of what is involved with applying to upgrade a 3rd Class town highway to Class 2. Shane Moring on VTrans District 9 will be at the office this coming Tuesday at 8am to discuss further.

Mr. Young called for executive session to discuss confidential attorney/client communication, seconded by Ms. Carter and executive session began at 7:36pm. Executed session ended at 7:44pm with the following action: The Chair asked Ms. Kellogg to call Jason Sevigny of VTrans to get his

take on his conversation with Attorney Davies, as well as the statute information he was gathering on the subject of ROWs.

NEW BUSINESS

The Town received notice from Watershed Consulting Associates that the state is investigating two stormwater outflows in Charleston for “illicit discharge,” meaning that wastewater may be entering the stormwater-only drainage system. No location information was provided, but the town will be contacted again if illicit discharge is confirmed.

Information was received from Vermont Energy & Climate Action Network about Town Energy Committees. Information was reviewed, but there was no interest in forming a committee. All agreed.

Bills and Orders were reviewed and approved for payment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A meeting of the BCA will be held July 12th at 6:00 pm at the Town Clerk’s Office.

Tax Sale to settle delinquent 2017 taxes will be held Thursday, July 17th at 9:00am. Ms. Carter will represent the Selectboard.

VLCT telephone and email contact sheets were distributed to board members.

Charleston School Board will hold a joint meeting with Brighton Elementary School Board on July 11th at 6:00pm at the Charleston School to discuss the Governor’s recommendation for consolidation

Seeing no other business or discussion, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Young, and the meeting adjourned 7:56 pm. The next meeting is July 12th at 7:00 pm.

Approved this 12th day of July 2018:

Selectboard, Town of Charleston