

**Selectboard Memo
December 7, 2015 SB Hearing & Meeting**

Delinquent Tax Collector Report

- DTC Karen Gramer will present:
 - the delinquent tax report;
 - an update on the Caldwell tax sale held December 1st; and,
 - concerns with a possible tax sale for the Laundry property at 2726 Horn of the Moon Road

Discussion of, and Possible Presentation of Petition for, Center Road Speed Limit Reduction

- Ms. Gramer would like to discuss the effect on her neighborhood of the recent Center Road ditching project; in particular, concerns regarding increased speed

Special Joint Meeting with Town of Calais Selectboard

- **Discussion of the FY2017 Ambulance & Emergency Services Budget Request by the East Montpelier Fire Department**
 - The two boards will consider the EMFD FY2017 budget request:

Service	Calais		East Montpelier		Total	
	FY2017 Request	% Increase over FY16	FY2017 Request	% Increase over FY16	FY2017 Request	% Increase over FY16
Fire	\$ 52,520.00	-1.2%	\$105,040.00	-1.2%	\$157,560.00	-1.2%
Ambulance	\$ 60,689.34	10.3%	\$121,378.66	10.3%	\$182,068.00	10.3%
Total	\$113,209.34	4.7%	\$226,418.66	4.7%	\$339,628.00	4.7%

Total EMFD FY2017 ambulance budget of \$243,325 includes contracted Plainfield payment of \$46,257 and \$15,000 from EMFD contingency fund for a total combined services budget of \$400,885, up 4.2% from FY2016.

East Montpelier Gully Jumpers Snowmobile Club Request for Designated Town Road Usage for Trail Crossings

- See letter for the annual request for use of town roads to allow non-direct road crossings in certain limited circumstances; if comfortable, need motion accepting request

Discussion on Proposed Change to Regular Selectboard Meeting Time/Dates

- Mr. Etnier has been elected to the Hunger Mountain Co-op's board, which meets the first Monday of every month; Mr. Etnier is hopeful that one or the other board will alter its base schedule so that he can fully participate on both boards

Preliminary Discussion on FY2017 Budget Development

- See very draft budget and staff analysis for FY2017
- The intent is to find areas of emphasis to focus on as budget is developed

Appointments

- **Zoning Administrator**
 - TA Johnson is the current ZA (under contract for another 2-plus years); term, by town charter is now for just 1 year
- **Acting Zoning Administrator**
 - This position fills in for the ZA when necessary (vacations, conflicts of interest, etc.); Mr. Troia has served in this position for the past few years

Additions to Agenda

- **Potential Appointment to Planning Commission for Troia Seat Vacancy**
 - Planning Commission is recommending that Ray Stout be appointed to fill Mr. Troia's vacant seat on the PC; the appointment would be through 2016 Town Meeting Day; the final year of Mr. Troia's term will be up for election at 2016 Town Meeting

➤ **2016 Municipal Planning Grant**

- The town has received the requested 2016 MPG in the amount of \$22,435 (state \$17,623; town match of \$4,812) to create a master plan for East Montpelier Village
- If comfortable with grant agreement, SB should authorize TA Johnson to sign agreement

Town Administrator Report

- 2016 Town Meeting Warning Article Discussions:
 - Does the board want to meet with any of the “small money” article groups this year?
 - Montpelier Senior Activity Center
 - Central Vermont Home Health & Hospice
 - Kellogg Hubbard Library (already on December 21st agenda)
 - GMTA/Route 2 Commuter (already on December 21st agenda)
 - East Montpelier Trails
 - Four Corners Schoolhouse Association
 - Cemetery Commission
 - East Montpelier Signpost
- Central VT Solid Waste Management District’s Proposed Facility on VT Rte. 14 S:
 - Does the board want to meet with our CVSWMD representative Ginny Callan?
 - If so, with or without CVSWMD staff?
- VT Association of Chiefs of Police Annual Luncheon:
 - January 12th, 12 noon, at the Capital Plaza Hotel
 - \$20; RSVP by January 8th
- Mike Bald Report on Hogweed in Village Cemetery:
 - Things are looking good
- Washington County Annual Pre-Budget Meeting
 - Thursday, December 17th, 9:00 a.m. at Washington County Clerk’s Office
- Meeting Schedule:
 - December 17th 5:00 pm Town party at town office
 - December 21st 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting
 - January 4th 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting

Zoning Administrator Report

- See permit activity for period November 17 – December 7, 2015
- A zoning permit has been issued to Mr. Clement and Ms. Buck, 365 Mays Way, to allow use of their camper and the nearby combo animal shelter & storage building as sheds
- No DRB meeting scheduled