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February 15, 2016 SB Meeting

Ceremonial Signing of East Montpelier Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve
Shawn Bryan, VT Employer Support of the Guard & Reserve State Chair

Discussion with Justin Hoy, Halogen Media Works, on Proposed Eat More Kale Festival at Morse Farm
June 18, 2016

- Mr. Hoy will not be at the meeting; we'll try to arrange another date
- The date of the event has been changed to June 25th

Discussion on Options for New 10-Wheeler Truck

- Road Foreman Garand will be in attendance; see chart on recent annual truck repair costs
- Replacement for one of the 2008 International 10-wheelers:
 - Chassis Updated Quotes:
 - International: \$58,760 (with \$57,500 trade)
 - Freightliner: \$74,300 (with \$44,000 trade)
 - Western Star: \$80,400 (with \$44,000 trade)
 - Mack: \$83,880 (with \$45,000 trade)
 - Body Quotes:
 - Fairfield Everest: \$68,000
 - Tenco (Hardox hi-tensile throughout): \$58,984
 - Mack v. International Full Cost with Extended Warranty:
 - Mack/Everest: \$156,855 (with \$4,975 warranty); five payments of \$33,016 with trade; five payments of \$42,464 without trade
 - Mack/Tenco: \$147,839; \$31,123; \$40,571
 - International/Everest: \$137,751 (with \$10,991 warranty, including Allison & towing); \$29,005; \$41,078
 - International/Tenco: \$128,735; \$27,112; \$39,185
 - International Signature Series (ready to go): \$141,371; \$29,765; \$41,838
 - Financing Options: 5-year lease, 1st payment upfront, 2.45% interest
- Update on Templeton Road Fire Station:
 - Road crew has begun demolition to the interior of the east wing
 - May want to leave office area intact

Discussion with Conservation Fund Advisory Committee

- Stats regarding conservation:
 - Land Conservation Fund stands at \$5,532
 - Total land "conserved" (development rights held by, generally, conservation organizations; each property's easement is different; some allow minor development): 3,495 acres; much of this acreage is also in Current Use; some (60 acres) is town owned
 - Land in Current Use: 9,406 acres from 104 properties
 - Public/school land:
 - Town: 252 acres
 - State: 124 acres
 - Public schools: 184 acres
 - Private schools: 68 acres
 - Other towns: 65 acres
 - Roads: approximately 500 acres
 - Town has just shy of 20,500 acres

Discussion with Julie Potter, CVRPC Town Representative

- Ms. Potter will be here to give an update on the recent happenings involving the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission

Consideration of Proposed 2016 Municipal Planning Grant Agreement with CVRPC

- 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; the Planning Commission would like to contract the work to the Central VT Regional Planning Commission; the PC and CVRPC have developed an agreed-upon scope of work; CVRPC provided a contract for \$21,500, which has been vetted and tweaked by the PC, TA Johnson, and Town Attorney Bjornlund
- The PC has signed the contract, but it also needs Selectboard approval before taking effect; need a motion authorizing Chair Gardner to sign the Agreement for Planning Services between CVRPC and the town

Consideration of Documents to Open Account with North Country Federal Credit Union and Taking Out Certificate of Deposit for Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds

- North Country Federal CU has decent rates for its certificates of deposit (over 1% for 18-month cds); Treasurer Welch would like to open a savings account at NCFCU (a necessary step) and take out a cd with some of the Cemetery Commission's perpetual care funds; the money comes from a now-closed town TD Bank account
- Suggested motion: **To authorize Town Treasurer Don Welch to open a savings account on behalf of the Town of East Montpelier at North Country Federal Credit Union in the initial amount of \$22,234.85. Signatories on the account shall be: Town Treasurer Don Welch; Town Clerk Terri Conti; Municipal Assistant Denise Brown; and, Town Administrator Bruce Johnson. Further, the board authorizes Treasurer Welch to use \$21,500 of the initial deposit to take out a NCFCU certificate of deposit on such terms as he deems appropriate with a maximum term of two years.**
- NCFCU needs proof of the above authorization; see draft letter from the board to Treasurer Welch containing the motion details; need a motion authorization Chair Gardner to sign; a check for the initial amount of deposit (\$22,234.85) is on tonight's warrant

Work Session for 2016 Town Meeting

- Continued discussion on what needs to be done & who's responsible for it
- Any desire for a pre-town forum meeting?

Town Administrator Report

- DRB vacancy:
 - Andrew Greenwald, a new Powder Horn Glen resident, has interest
- Guests at Upcoming Meetings:
 - Sheriff W. Samuel Hill & Lieutenant Bret Meyer of the Washington County Sheriff's Department will be at the February 29th SB meeting
 - VSP Lieutenant Matt Nally will be at March 7th meeting
 - CVSWMD Town Representative Ginny Callan will be at the March 7th meeting
- Hudson Superior Court Quiet Title Action on Town Hall Property:
 - Town has filed an answer and a request to produce
- BDE EM Lazar Solar, LLC PSB CPG Proceedings:
 - Planning Commission filed post-deadline comments after meeting with BDE representatives; concept was to show PSB where the parties were in agreement and where issues remained
- Meeting Schedule:
 - February 18th 7:00 pm Kick-off meeting for Village Master Plan effort
 - February 27th 9:30 am Town Forum @ EMES
 - February 29th 6:30 pm Special SB meeting
 - March 1st 9:30 am Town Meeting @ EMES
 - March 7th 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting
 - March 21st 6:30 pm Regular SB meeting
 - March 30th 6:00 pm VTrans Village Bridge Forum @ U-32

Zoning Administrator Report

- No new permit applications since February 1, 2016; next DRB meeting is unscheduled at this point:
 - Anticipated applications for town park 'n ride facility; Orchard Valley Waldorf School pre-school on Coburn Road; Dion business use of residential property on Fair Road