

Selectboard Memo
September 11, 2017 SB Meeting

Meeting with Funding Request Study Committee

- Members: Charlie Catlin, Lindy Johnson, Ann Stanton, Sue Racanelli, Paul Erlbaum, Jeanne Malachowski, Sandal Cate; application packet will go out to 30+ organizations by September 29th with a due date of October 27th; committee report will be presented to board in mid-late December
- This is the board's opportunity to set the ground rules for the FY2019 funding request article; total (without Montpelier Senior Activity Center & Central VT Home Health & Hospice) last year was \$21,836; we are once again closing in on the \$25,000 "vote on the floor" cap; there is no obvious organization to move to a separate article
- MSAC has already informed us that the FY19 request will be \$8,000 (up \$1,000 from FY18); MSAC is also requesting answers to two queries: Should it once again follow the FRSC process (fill out the application & provide the relevant documents) despite its separate article status; and, does the SB want MSAC to appear before it to defend the request and secure no-petition warning placement (did so last year, following the same process KHL and GMT have followed for years)

Report on Central VT Solid Waste Management District: Casey Northrup, Town Representative

- Mr. Northrup is unable to attend; his scheduled update will be provided at a board meeting in October

Consideration of FY2018 Municipal Planning Grant Application

- The Planning Commission is recommending that the town apply for a FY2018 MPG to update the zoning regulations to effectuate the goals included in the soon-to-be-finalized EM Village Master Plan and the in-development 2018 EM Town Plan; the application is for a \$26,000 project with \$20,000 in grant funding and a \$6,000 town match
- If the board is amenable, it should adopt the "Municipal Resolution for Municipal Planning Grant"; all board members should sign the document

Discussion of 2018 Draft VLCT Municipal Policy

- The 2017 VLCT Town Fair conference will be held October 4 & 5, 2017 at Killington Resort Grand Hotel; the annual meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. on the 4th with the normal workshops on the 5th
- Board should highlight areas of interest so that delegate (see below) knows the will of the board in contentious areas; if the delegate is to propose amendments at the meeting, the board should formally authorize the action

Designation of Town Delegate to 2017 VLCT Annual Meeting

- Town should select a delegate to the annual meeting; Chair Gardner needs to be authorized to sign the delegate choice form

Public Forum on Towne Hill Road Intersection Study

- This is the first of three (the other two coming October 16th and November 20th) opportunities for the public to assist the consultants for the Towne Hill, Gallison Hill, & Brazier Roads Intersection Study
- Roger Dickinson, of Lamoureux & Dickinson Consulting Engineers, and Jim Donovan, of Broadreach Planning & Design, are the lead consultants on the study and will be here to facilitate the discussion
- This event is slated to start at 8:00 p.m.

Consideration of Winter Salt Contracts

- The town has for years reserved 609 tons of winter salt from both Cargill and American Rock Salt; this year the prices are \$69.91 from Cargill and \$75.12 (state contract price) from American; Cargill requires a standard contract and the board should authorize TA Johnson to complete the agreement; American does not require a formal agreement

Consideration of Reimbursement Requests to VTrans for Murray Road Culvert & County Road Paving Grants

- Board should review the TA-65 & TA-66 forms for the two grants; if comfortable with the reimbursement requests, board members should approve the submissions and sign the TA-65 forms

Listers Errors & Omissions

- Richard & Brandy Clayton; 235 Walbridge Road; Parcel #02-032.600
 - The listers have determined that they failed to properly include a function depreciation increase of 2% for oversized dwelling with a quality grade of 2.5 when they processed a reassessment due to an addition constructed during the past year; the correction will drop the property's assessed value from \$212,900 to \$210,000; this \$2,900 change will decrease the 2017 grand list by \$29; if comfortable, the board should authorize the grand list change

Access Permits

- **17-038; Clark Access Relocation at 820 Dodge Road**
 - The Clark family owns the 74-acre complex on Dodge Road just east of Partridge Run and west of the Dodge Road trail access parking lot; in 2012 the Selectboard approved a curb cut for the family's planned residential development that required the existing "y" access be converted to a single curb cut
 - The family is now ready to move forward with the Mike Garand-recommended plan to shift the access point to the east up the hill, right next to the trail access, to improve sight lines and access slope issues; Road Foreman Perry has recommended approval of the shift; the existing access points will be closed

Town Administrator Report

- 2018 Mack 10-wheeler:
 - The new truck arrived at the town garage on August 31st
- Replacement Check for Daniel Antonovich:
 - Mr. Antonovich lost original \$4,000 tax overpayment refund check that was on a May 25th warrant; town stopped payment on that check and issued new one September 1st
- Update on BCBS Health Plan Rates for 2018:
 - Platinum Plan is going up 9.49%; Gold Plan up 8.93%
 - At 90/10 split, annual town & employee cost for the Platinum Plan will be:
 - \$8,121 (town); \$902 (employee) Single
 - \$16,241; \$1,804 Two person
 - \$15,673; \$1,741 Head of household
 - \$22,819; \$2,535 Family
 - Currently one employee takes the two person Gold Plan; town pays 100% of premium; for 2018 the town cost will be \$15,772
 - Discussion on 2018 health care options will likely be on the October 16th SB meeting
- EM Hazard Mitigation Plan's Renewal/Update Process:
 - The town is not going to receive the expected assistance from the Central VT Regional Planning Commission so the town will need to handle the plan's renewal process on its own; TA Johnson will take the lead with Planning Commission support; the current plan expires March 1, 2018
- Fairmont Dairy Phase 1 Conservation Project:
 - The VT Land Trust, et al. has closed on the development rights purchase of the Drake Road area portion of the old Lylehaven Farm properties; the separate trails easement deal to benefit the Cross VT Trail is expected to close by the end of September; the request for the town's \$6,000 Conservation Fund contribution is on this meeting's warrant
- Meeting Schedule:
 - Sept. 15th 8:30 am 2017 Municipal Day; VT agency workshops at National Life
 - October 2nd 6:30 pm SB regular meeting
 - October 4th 1:30 pm VLCT annual meeting at Killington
 - October 16th 6:30 pm SB regular meeting; second intersection study forum
 - October 19th 7:00 pm EMFD quarterly budget presentation at the ESF

Zoning Administrator Report

- 2 permit applications since August 21, 2017
- The next scheduled DRB meeting is October 3rd for the Casella biennial review and conceptual review of a master plan for 170 Cherry Tree Hill Road; no hearings at this time

Discussion on Town & Zoning Administrator Position

- Potential executive session