

**Selectboard Memo**  
**February 17, 2020 SB Meeting**

**Conversation with East Montpelier Trails, Inc.**

- EMTI representatives will be here to discuss possible options for EMTI and town trail management in future years; options include status quo, a duty split between EMTI and the town, or simply having the town absorb EMTI

**Conversation with Julie Potter, PC Chair & CVRPC Representative**

- Ms. Potter will be here to provide updates on the activities of both the Planning Commission and Central VT Regional Planning Commission; the PC update will focus on the zoning regulation revision project

**Conversation with State Representative Kimberly Jessup**

- Representative Jessup will be here to provide an update on the 2020 legislative session

**Presentation of EM Village Sidewalk Project Contractor Recommendation**

- The town received 4 bids for the project; Dubois & King has conducted the post-bid analysis and determined that the low bid, as revised, from J.P. Sicard, is conforming; this result has been transmitted to Ande DeForge, our VTrans project manager, for approval
- The bid, at \$567,033, is about \$5,000 above the 110% construction bid level; higher than desired, but within the range covered by the \$806,000 grant (the grant is actually for \$936,000, but the other \$130,000 is for the culvert element) assuming there are no significant cost overruns
- If comfortable, board should authorize TA Johnson to issue the award letter and contract to J.P. Sicard contingent on receiving authorization from VTrans

**Consideration of Town Application for Boundary Adjustment Between Town-owned LaPerle Farm & Hodgeman Parcels**

- The plat for the boundary adjustment designed to separate the LaPerle Farmhouse site from the remainder of the Old LaPerle Farm property is now complete; the 3.04-acre farmhouse parcel will be added to the 3.0-acre Hodgeman parcel, leaving a 45.48-acre remainder lot for possible sale to Marc Fontaine; this is a reconfiguration of town-owned properties
- If comfortable, board should authorize Chair Gardner to sign the boundary adjustment application

**Work Session for 2020 Town Forum & Meeting**

**Town Administrator Report**

- Update on EAB Management Grant Application:
  - We've been notified that the town received the requested \$15,000 grant from the VT Urban and Community Forestry Program; this is a 50/50 grant designed to fund the Resilient Roads Committee's pilot ash tree management project in the Gallison Hill Road area
- Potential Hitching Post Location in EM Village:
  - Phoenix Mitchell, founder of The Hitching Post Vermont organization, is pursuing potential options for locating a hitching post somewhere around Dudley's Store; if he's able to find a satisfactory spot, he'll come in to speak with the board
- Meeting Schedule:
  - February 29, 2020      9:30 am      Town Forum at EMES
  - March 2, 2020      6:30 pm      Selectboard regular meeting
  - March 3, 2020      9:30 am      Town Meeting at EMES

**Zoning Administrator Report**

- No new applications since the February 3<sup>rd</sup> SB meeting; 0 applications in 2020
- The next DRB meeting is expected to be held on March 10, 2020; no application as yet