

Minutes for the East Montpelier Selectboard

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June 17, 2024 Selectboard Meeting

This meeting was held in-person at the Municipal building with a remote participation option using the Zoom conferencing platform.

SB Attendance: Chair Seth Gardner, Carl Etnier, Scott Hess, Zoe Christiansen, Zoe Christiansen. Town Administrator (“TA”) Jennifer Devine

Remote SB Attendance:

In-Person Public Attendance: Jordan Keyes, Bill Davis, Kari Bradley, Rose Pelchuk, Albert Petrella, Alex Bogazuski, (Copping Missed one) Paul Guer, Thomas Parker, Andrew Christiansen, Sue Chickering

Remote Public Attendance: Renee Carpenter, Virginia Burley, Mark Blanchard

Chair Gardner called the Joint meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Joint Meeting: Discussion on EMFD Contract Updates

Possible Action: Amend Contract

Both proposed language changes to clauses #10 and #15 in the contract were agreed upon, with the intention to have the town lawyer draft final language. The EMFD will review contracts with other towns in order to try to line up the timelines with the East Montpelier and Calais Interlocal agreement renewals.

Call to Order: Chair Gardner called the Regular Selectboard meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Public Comment

Additions to the Agenda

Motion: To accept the additions to the agenda: Made by: Mr. Brazier Second: Mr. Hess **Passed Unanimously.**

Review of Minutes: June 3, 2024

Minutes: The board reviewed the draft minutes of the June 3 Board meeting.

Motion: To accept the minutes as amended: Made by: Mr. Hess Second: Mr. Brazier. **Passed Unanimously.**

Discussion on Town Garage w/ Mark Blanchard & David Armstrong from VIS Construction

The design is planned to be brought to the next selectboard meeting in two weeks.

Discussion on Goddard Sale

Motion: To send to the Attorney General the cover letter on behalf of the East Montpelier Selectboard from East Montpelier residents to the Attorney General, to Authorize the Vice Chair to sign the Letter.

Made by: Mr. Etnier **Second:** Ms. Christiansen

3 in favor, 2 opposed. The motion passes.

Consideration of Liquor License

Plainfield Hardware – (Winooski Valley Cooperative Market)

Move-Brazier Second Etnier

Woodbelly Pizza, LLC

Motion: to authorize the town clerk to process the Liquor License

Made by Mr. Hess Second: Mr. Etnier

June Appointments Re-appoint or Changes to the Slate

Motion: To authorize Chair to sign the Certificate of Appointment to town clerk

Made by Etnier Second: brazier

To appoint Jennifer Devine as road commissioner

Made by Mr. Etnier Second: Mr. Brazier

Discussion Regarding Co Hosting Public Forum for School Reconfiguration

No action taken.

Motion Authorize TA to Purchase Lister Laptop Warrants

No action taken.

Warrants

The June 17, 2024 Regular Expense Warrant was approved via signature of all the SB members.

Town Treasurer Monthly Report

Annual Proposed Pay Rate Increase Review & Approval Town Administrator Report Personnel Matters (Potential Executive Session)

Motion: To move into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters, citing Statute 1 V.S.A. § 313.

Made by Mr. Etnier Second:

Passed Unanimously

Into Executive Session at 8:29 PM

Executive Session ended at 8:40 PM. No action was taken, as usual

Motion: To approve the proposed 4% pay rate increase across the board: Made by: Mr. Hess Second: Mr. Etnier.

Passed Unanimously.

Town Administrator Report

Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn.

Made by Ms. Christiansen, second by Mr. Hess. Passed unanimously. Adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Zoe Christiansen.