

TOWN OF WORCESTER, VERMONT

MINUTES OF THE SELECTBOARD-REGULAR MEETING

June 18th, 2018

Selectboard members present: Ted Lamb, Chris Casey, Paul Hill, Jr.

Selectboard members absent: none

Guests present: Katie Winklejohn, Will Sutton, Stew Clark

Ted called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

Ted moved to approve the 06/04/18 minutes, Paul seconded, minutes approved.

Public Input: Stew asked how the lighting project in the town garage/fire department was going. Ted said this could be discussed under “old business.”

Stew was attending to discuss the solar array project, proposed by Kyle Devitt, and Ted explained that this would be discussed under “old business.”

New Business:

- Will reported that engine #2 had a pump failure due to an electrical problem. To have this repaired, he had contacted the company in N.H. that sold the truck to the Town. Will is looking into if the repair work would be covered under a warranty.
- Flagger and CPR training for department personnel is done.
- Will said he had received an email from someone about a possible community garden and would follow up on this for more information.
- The Fire Department will hold their annual chicken BBQ at the 4th of July celebration.

Old Business:

- Re; Lighting rehab work...Stew said he was concerned that there are large exterior lights at the Municipal Building that stay on all night and asked if these could be hooked into a timer and/or a motion detector system. Katie said she wanted those lights to be on as she worked some evenings, leaving the offices when it's dark and wanted the lights for safety.
- Katie reported that delinquent taxes are down to \$6,000 with only one person out of compliance. Her goal is to have the balance down to zero by July 14th and believe she will hit that goal.
- Katie is still working to collect bids for the work to be done to the Town Hall but still hasn't received any submissions. She still would like to have names of painters and would also need to find a contractor who could do some power washing of the exterior. Chris said he could suggest some names of electricians that might be interested in doing some of the work and they might also estimate the cost of timers/detectors for the exterior lights.

- The Grand List is done and Katie needs the school tax rate to set the overall tax rate and send out tax bills. The town's veteran exemption amount will increase due to having one new veteran move to Worcester this year.
- Ted reported that Bill Dodge will mow the Ladd Field for \$250.00, and asked that Katie order an additional "Port-o-Potty" unit, so there will be two available for the July 4th celebration.
- Ted, working with Stew Clark, a member of the Town's Planning Commission, shared the 5th draft of the proposed support letter regarding the solar array project. Ted said he would contact Will King, the project's advisor, for information about the project's site plan, placement/land coordinates and power rates. Stew mentioned that from his contact with the Public Utility Board that they recommend the Town consider holding a public meeting to gather resident's input about the project. The Selectboard decided to warn residents of a special public meeting to be held on June 28th at 6:30 PM.

Correspondence: None

Announcements: The special meeting for Worcester residents concerning the solar array project will be June 28th at 6:30 at the Town Hall.

The next regularly scheduled Selectboard meeting will be held at the town office on July 9th, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Bills: Signed as presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Attest: