



Town of Fairfax
Select Board Meeting
August 6, 2018 – 7:00pm

The drafted minutes presented below are unapproved subject to corrections and/or additions at the next Selectboard meeting. Those corrections and/or additions will be written to an amended version of the minutes, which will also be made available to the public.

Selectboard Members Present: Steven Cormier; Chair, Randy DeVine; Vice-Chair, Stephen Bessette and Sheri Rainville

Public Present Michael Frett, Robby Rodimer, Chris Cota and Andrew Davis

Employees Present: Brad Docheff, Deb Woodward,

Call to Order: S. Cormier called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Announcements:

Minutes: 7-16-18 Randy made the motion to accept the minutes as written, seconded by Sheri, all in favor.

Accounts Payable & Payroll Warrants: The Town and Utility warrants were reviewed by S. Bessette, all approved by Board.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence: None

Verizon Wireless- Land Use- Andrew Davis was here this evening to represent Verizon Wireless. Verizon is interested in leasing a piece of land at 171 Fletcher Rd owned by the Town. This would allow for better cell service at BFA, southern Main St., Fletcher Road and Goose Pond Road. A 130 ft monopole would be erected. This offers a nonexclusive agreement. Verizon performed a balloon float to show the visibility of the tower from various points around town. Verizon will provide some additional information and the Selectboard would like time to review the provided information. Discussion will continue at a later time.

Brad Docheff- Town Manager: Updates

Highway Dept.

- The newest hire Josh Powers is no longer with the dept. For personal reasons he choose another path. We wish him well. Lesley Combs is back with the dept. temporarily.
- The 2019 International truck will be coming. Working on details of the transaction.
- New road signs have gone up, changing Yields to Stop signs on Cherrierville and Meade, Comette and Coolum.
- Road shimming has been done on Maple, River and Brick Church Roads. This addresses pot holes and rough roads. The road improvements are done for the year.
- The speed monitor display on School St. will be moved to Buck Hollow Rd. Other spots may also be Maple St. or Fletcher Road

Recreation Dept.

- The Egg Run was very successful. A tremendous job was done setting it up. There were amazing donations this year.
- 100 acre woods entrance has been cleaned up. The next step will be signage, VTrans will be consulted.
- There was a meeting regarding the Community Center with the Architect and Engineer regarding what repairs need to be done, cost and grant strategy.
- Colin would like to recognize the support and cohesion with each department helping each other out.

There is an award ceremony this Friday August 10th at 11:00 at the Runamok Maple facility on Fletcher Road. This is for the NBRC grant; the Town of Fairfax will be receiving a grant. The Governor and Congressional Delegates will be there.

The EDA grant application has been submitted.

Brad has joined a VT Town and City Association. This consists of town officials, Town managers and Mayors. It is a discussion group for small towns.

Based on the meeting a couple weeks ago with Casella, Brad has spoken with Mike Casella and Bob Perry, if we should extend our contract there will be a reassessment of the pick-ups. Brad also has some key points that need to be in the contract.

Brad spoke with VT Council on Rural Development; there could be a possible meeting with them to come to town. They send time looking at our assets, community development, etc. to see how they can help. If we are selected for this, they spent time in the amount of \$40,000 (FREE to the Town)

Updates

S. Bessette met with FEMA and the State of Vermont, has signed the last of paperwork for the windstorm in October 2017. Now we wait!

S. Bessette would like to acknowledge the Parks and Recs Director, whom works on a salary position of 35 hours a week. With the Egg Run this week alone he had 59 hours. Huge thank-you!

Other Business:

Adjournment:

At 7:45 S. Bessette made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Sheri, all in favor.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Amy Sears, Admin. Asst. to the Selectboard

Steven Cormier- Chair
Fairfax Selectboard