

Sunderland Selectboard Minutes

Monday, July 13, 2020

Attending: D. Pierce, S. Bergeron, T. Fydenkevez, G. Kravitz

Others present: J. Pelletier, L. Smith, W. Houle

Meeting via Zoom recorded by FCAT.

Meeting called to order at 6:30PM.

MINUTES

Mr. Fydenkevez motion to approve Selectboard minutes of June 29, 2020, Mr. Bergeron second, vote 3-0.

Mr. Fydenkevez motion to approve Riverside Park minutes of June 29, 2020, Mr. Bergeron second, vote 3-0.

BUSINESS

COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY: Ms. Smith stated that she met with Allen Phillips, the new MEMA representative. There will be an update to the Emergency Preparedness plan. On the Frontier Region Emergency Dispensing Site call it was determined that there will be a regional flu clinic that includes Sunderland.

RETURN OF STUDENTS: Began discussion of the potential impact of students returning to the region this fall. More information is needed from apartment complexes and colleges, and examples of what other communities are doing to prepare.

PARC GRANT APPLICATION: Mr. Bergeron motion to authorize the Chair of the Selectboard to apply for the PARC grant, Mr. Fydenkevez second, vote 3-0. Mr. Bergeron motion to accept resolution authorizing the Town Administrator to act as application contact for the PARC grant, Mr. Fydenkevez second, vote 3-0.

SELECTBOARD UPDATES

Mr. Fydenkevez updated the Selectboard on the FRCOG Council meeting and noted that the Community Preservation Committee was meeting on Thursday to vote on the Emergency Rental Assistance grant. He reiterated the need to stay vigilant in response to COVID to avoid the surge that is appearing elsewhere in the country. Mr. Bergeron noted that the negotiations with the police union are continuing and there is a Village Center Committee meeting on Thursday to provide updates on the projects in the area. Mr. Pierce stated that a tentative agreement with Union 38 has been reached.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

Mr. Kravitz met with the Council on Aging. He updated the Selectboard about the pending Valley Neighbors nonprofit that will provide services to elders for a nominal fee, and the desire for Sunderland to be designated as an Age-Friendly Community. The Recreation Department will also be offering skill-building youth activities for softball and T-Ball that adhere to safety guidelines.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Pelletier noted that he updated Google Maps with the locations of the River Walk and Riverside Park.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Fydenkevez motion to enter executive session pursuant to MGL Chapter 30A, Section 21 (a) paragraph 3: To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body, Mr. Bergeron second - Mr. Bergeron: aye, Mr.

Fydenkevez: aye, Mr. Pierce: aye.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fydenkevez motion to adjourn at 8:15 PM, Mr. Bergeron second, vote 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Geoff Kravitz, Town Administrator