Sunderland Selectboard Minutes Monday, January 4, 2021

Attending: D. Pierce, T. Fydenkevez, S. Bergeron, G. Kravitz Others present: L. Smith, L. Baker, P. Gagarin, L. Rivais, P. Berman Meeting via Zoom recorded by FCAT. Meeting called to order at 6:35PM.

MINUTES

Mr. Fydenkevez motion to approve Selectboard minutes of December 28, 2020, Mr. Bergeron second, vote 3-0.

BUSINESS

ADOPTION OF THE HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN: The Selectboard thanked all of the people involved in creating the plan, including staff, volunteers, and the public. Mr. Bergeron noted that adoption is just the beginning and now the town moves into implementation of the plan. Mr. Pierce read the resolution. Mr. Fydenkevez motion to adopt the plan and sign the resolution, Mr. Bergeron second, vote 3-0.

120 NORTH MAIN STREET: Mr. Bergeron stated that the members of the 120 North Main Street Committee had been following the project and were satisfied with the final plans. Mr. Bergeron motion to approve of the final plans, Mr. Fydenkevez second, vote 3-0. Ms. Baker stated that the permit application needs to be reviewed so the permit can be issued, ideally by the end of January. The question was raised regarding liability if a 3rd party inspector is used. Staff will work on developing a scope of service for the 3rd party inspector.

COMPLETE STREETS CONTRACT AWARD: The Selectboard reviewed the bids for the Complete Streets project. Mr. Bergeron asked about the qualifications of the apparent low bidder. The Town Administrator responded that numerous references were checked on prior, similar projects and clients were generally satisfied with the work and any issues were promptly resolved. Mr. Bergeron motion to enter into the contract with Morais Concrete Service, Inc. in the amount of \$252,698.20 for the complete streets project, Mr. Fydenkevez second, vote 3-0.

COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY: Ms. Smith noted the continuation of the downward trend in COVID-19 cases. She anticipated that the next report would likely show a small increase, but still under 15 cases. Franklin County Emergency Responders will be able to receive vaccines at the Greenfield Senior Center. Ms. Berman inquired as to how information is being communicated to residents about the availability of vaccines. The Town posts information on the website, and uses the CodeRED tool to communicate via email, text, and phone calls as well. The Town will review the Emergency Preparedness communication plan and coordinate with the Board of Health on future communications, which will include FCAT Channel 15 and use of the electronic signboard.

SELECTBOARD UPDATES

The Selectboard expressed frustration over the state of national affairs. Mr. Fydenkevez offered the board's condolences on the recent passing of Mr. Wolejko. Mr. Pierce noted that the Personnel Committee is meeting next week. Mr. Bergeron stated that the Capital Planning Committee is also scheduled to meet next week to review the status of the FY21 capital projects and review FY22 capital requests.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Fydenkevez motion to adjourn at 7:44 PM, Mr. Bergeron second, vote 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Geoff Kravitz, Town Administrator