

**TOWN OF RUTLAND
SELECT BOARD MEETING-OPEN MEETING
RUTLAND TOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
181 US BUSINESS ROUTE 4, CENTER RUTLAND, VT 05736
TUESDAY, MAY 15th, 2018**

- Board members present: John Paul Fignant, Joe Denardo, Mary Ashcroft, Sharon Russell
- Meeting opened at 6:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval Of Orders

The Board approved the orders

Approval of Minutes for May 1st:

Mr. Fignant made a motion to approve. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business; Board to meet with Mr. Tom Garden, Thomas Dairy Solar site developer:

- Mr. Coughlin and Ms. Colomb were present for this matter.
- Ms. Barbara Noyes-Pulling updated the board on feedback from the Regional Planning Commission regarding the letter supporting the Thomas Dairy site for net metering.
- Mr. Garden provided the board with updated information and mapping on the project.
- Mr. Garden explained the need for two 45 day notices; each site must be able to stand alone for PUC review.
- Mr. Fignant made a motion to approve signing the Net Metering letter giving approval for the 2 sites currently being considered for development. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. Mr. Garden provided an updated map to the Board showing two, and only two sites for development. The provided map is incorporated with the motion [original map is included as "Attachment A". The motion passed 3-0-1. Mr. Denardo abstained.

Questions from the floor / Public Comment:

- Ms. Brittany Gilman of Rutland Town returned to follow up with the board regarding a noise complaint from barking dogs. Town police Chief Mr. Dumas updated the board on the investigation and findings.
- The board reviewed the ordinance with Ms. Gilman and asked for a written letter from her to allow the ordinance to be utilized.

Ms. Barbara Noyes-Pulling Rutland Town Planning Commission Chair Reported:

- Ms. Pulling informed the board the Town Planning Commission approved the new town Energy Plan and the Forest Fragmentation language.
- The Town Planning Commission hearing for the energy plan will be June 21st.
- Monday the 21st the review of the Business Route 4 study will continue.
- Notice of the Planning Commission vacancy will be posted in the Rutland herald and on the Town website

Kirsten Hathaway Rutland Town Clerk/Treasurer reported:

- Ms. Hathaway presented the board with a budget status report and reviewed the department statuses with the board.
- Discussion of the wage & salary adjustment status. Matter will be referred to the personnel committee.
- Review of the 1% local tax option received

Rutland Town Recreation Director Mr. Mike Rowe reported:

- Baseball has started
- Work on opening the pool is progressing
- Sign-ups and pool info on Town website
- Discussion of little league use of town fields.
- Reviewed construction work at Dewey field.

Rutland Town Road Commissioner Mr. Byron Hathaway reported:

- Updated the board on Timber sale project at Northwood
- Updated the board on selecting a candidate for the new opening at Town Highway.
- Updated the board on the project to replace the problem water meters in Flory Heights

Rutland Town Fire Chief Mr. Frank Cioffi Reported:

- Reviewed the state statute in regards to a requirement for a permit, given by the chief, for anyone discharging fireworks at any time throughout the year.
- Discussion of an invoice received for work at the Town School for work regarding the generator.
- Reviewed his meeting with VLCT regarding updating coverage to include all our generators.
- Discussion of purchasing policy
- Discussion of disposal of material used to clean up fluids on the roadway.
- Review of the 5 bids received for replacing SCBA systems

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- Mr. Faignant made a motion to send the bids to the fire committee to compare and evaluate. Mr. Denardo made a second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Brief discussion on State personnel policy for employees with Fire / Rescue duty. Mr. Faignant made a motion to refer to the fire committee for review. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Rutland Town Police Chief Mr. Ed Dumas reported:

- Mr. Dumas presented and reviewed recent calls for service.
- Reviewed guidelines on confiscated weapons

Mr. Bill Sweet Administrative Assistant to the Select Board reported:

- Review of bid received for carpet installation at Town Hall
- Mr. Faignant made a motion to accept the bid received from Carpet King of VT for \$4395. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Review of bids received for power washing and painting of Town Hall.
- Mr. Faignant made a motion to send the bids to the building committee for review. Mr. Denardo made a second to the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Reviewed minutes from the celebration committee meeting.
- Reported on the new email address for Town employees.
- Presented a letter to be signed to submit our renewal of a storm water renewal permit. Mr. Denardo made a motion to have Ms. Ashcroft sign the letters on behalf of the board. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Reviewed installation of the surveillance cameras at Town Hall.

Committee Updates:

- Review of minutes from committee meetings.
- Mr. Faignant made a motion to approve list of Scholarships to be awarded for 2018. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
- Review of bid for Stratton Rd. culvert installation.
- Discussion of water / sewer inventory project
- Discussion of the rail line over the sewer line
- Discussion of property survey at McKinley Station. Mr. Faignant made a motion to approve Mr. Mark Courcelle as a surveyor to complete the necessary work. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Mr. Faignant made a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of contract discussion and potential litigation. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Town Administrative Assistant Mr. Bill Sweet and Town Clerk / Treasurer Ms. Hathaway were present for the executive session. The board came out of executive session at 8:07PM. No action was taken.

Mr. Denardo made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Russell made a second to the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Mr. Bill Sweet

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Joshua Terenzini, Chairman

Mary Ashcroft, Clerk

John Paul Fignant

Sharon Russell

Joe Denardo

Center Rutland, VT.

“ATTACHMENT A”

