

GLOVER SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 14, 2016

Present: Michael Ladd, Jack Sumberg, Brian Carroll, Nick Ecker-Racz, Deputy Sheriff Phil Brooks, Adam Hueslein and Nathalie Gagnon-Joseph Chronicle.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm.
2. Amendment to agenda: The Board decided to include a conversation about the Phillips road guardrail and Senior Meals under Old Business.
3. Minutes: Jack made a motion, seconded by Brian to approve the minutes dated December 10, 2015. The motion carried. Mike ^{Seconded by Jack} made a motion to approve the minutes dated January 11, 2016. The motion carried. Brian ^{Seconded by M.K.} made a motion to approve the minutes dated January 13, 2016. The motion carried.
4. Appearances of local citizens and visitors:
 - a. Orleans County Sheriff's Report: Phil Brooks was present to discuss the monthly report. In 2015 double the number of tickets were written in Glover compared to 2014.
 - b. Glover Ambulance: Adam was present to (i) ask for guidance to request creating a fund where funds may be set aside, each year, to prepare for upgrading the radio system and (ii) update on dispatch services. Phil Brooks indicated that further discussions are on hold until the legislature decides what to charge the county for dispatch services. At this time there is no charge by the state. The County Sheriff won't be starting dispatch services until at least 2017, if the proposal is enabled by the legislature and accepted by enough towns. Newport Police Dept. also has a dispatch proposal on the table and wants a yes or no answer from the towns by March 15, 2016.
5. Old and Unfinished Business:
 - a. Planning Commission Appointments: Jack made a motion, seconded by Mike, to appoint the following people to a two (2) year term to the Planning Commission: Hope Colburn, Ann Creaven, Nick Ecker-Racz, Mariel Hess, Anne Lindner, Randy Williams, Elizabeth Nelson and Carmella Young, with an immediate task to rewrite the town plan that has expired as of 2016. The motion carried.
 - b. NVDA: Update on the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Northern Vermont. Each board member will review the report available on the NVDA website.
 - c. Sargent Lane Bridge Project: Mike will complete the forms to confirm the project is complete.
 - d. Town Garage: Mike will set up a meeting with the USDA to gather information about financing a new town garage.
 - e. Phillips Road Guard Rail: postponed until the next meeting to include Harvey in a discussion. A resident has expressed concern about the safety of the guardrail.
 - f. Senior Meals: Jack was reviewing the electric and heating bills to determine if Senior Meals should contribute to the monthly electric and heating costs. Due to the abnormal weather this fall, it is difficult to determine how much of a cost increase has been realized as a result of meals being served at the town hall. The Board decided to postpone setting a dollar figure at this time.
6. New Business:
 - a. 2016 Wastewater Budget: Mike made a motion, seconded by Brian, to approve a proposed 2016 Wastewater budget of \$85,524.24. The motion carried.
 - b. 2016 General & Road Fund Budget: Brian made a motion, seconded by Jack, to approve a proposed 2016 General & Road Fund Budget of \$746,634.27. The motion carried.

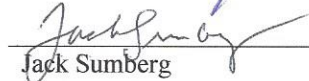
- c. AOT 2016 Certificate of Highway Mileage: Jack will review further.
 - d. VT Veteran's Home: The Vermont Veteran's Home is requesting towns include a link on their web page so veteran's may access information about benefits. Mike will review further. <http://vvh.vermont.gov>.
 - e. Arbitrage Certificate: Jack made a motion, seconded by Brian, to sign the arbitrage certificate with Community National Bank at an annual interest rate of 2.85% in the amount of \$451,200.00 for 2016. The motion carried. The arbitrage certificate allows the town to borrow money to pay obligations until tax money is received.
 - f. Selectboard Annual Message: Mike made a motion, seconded by Brian, to accept the draft of the Selectboard's message that will be included in the town report, with corrections. The motion carried.
7. Review of Bills and Signing of Orders:
 - a. Director's orders were signed.
 8. Adjourn: Brian made a motion, seconded by Mike, to adjourn at 8:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Epinette
Transcriber



Michael Ladd, Chair



Jack Sumberg

Brian Carroll