

Glover Select Board Meeting

Minutes

Thursday, January 23, 2020

Present: Brian Carroll, Jack Sumberg, David Simmons, Leanne Harple, The Chronicle, Nick Ecker-Racz; Emily Irwin, Orleans Natural Resources Conservation District; Steve Walcott, David Burke, Howard Robinson and Jennifer Andrews from Shadow Lake Association; Kellie Merrell, Eric Davis and Oliver Pierson from VT Agency of Natural Resources; Jeff Crocker, VT Natural Resources Conservation; Judd Kratzer, VT Fish & Wildlife, and Cindy Epinette, Transcriber.

1. Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.
2. Review of Agenda: The Board added a discussion regarding the proposed tree warden laws and Act 250 proposals.
3. Minutes: **Jack made a motion, seconded by David, to approve the minutes dated January 9, 2020. The motion carried.**
4. Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors:
 - a. Emily Irwin – Orleans Natural Resources Conservation District: Emily Irwin introduced herself and shared some of the requirements and goals of the Orleans Natural Resources Conservation District. She stated that all types of farms are subject to Required Agricultural Practices (RAP's). These are management strategies and practices that help reduce the agricultural activities that effect water quality. ONRCD is available to assist farmers in accessing state funding, nutrient management planning, etc. Please feel free to contact her for more information.
 - b. Oliver Pierson – VT Agency of Natural Resources: Eric Davis and Kellie Merrell presented information about the effects of raising and lowering the water levels on Shadow Lake on the habitat in the water and the health of the lake. Several representatives from the Shadow Lake Association were present to ask questions and discuss the matter further.
 - c. Nick Ecker-Racz – Proposed Tree Warden law and Act 250 Proposals: Nick share a piece of legislation related to tree wardens, he is preparing to testify upon. He discussed several proposals in the legislation he did not agree with and why. He also encouraged the board to review and respond to the proposed changes to Act 250.
5. Executive Session – Legal Matter: **Jack made a motion, seconded by David, to go into executive session at 10:37pm to discuss a legal matter. Motion carried.**
6. Executive session was concluded at 10.45pm. No action taken.
7. Announcements for Review: none.
8. Reports:
 - a. VLCT Detail Loss Report: The Board reviewed the annual report for the period ending December 31, 2019. No action taken.
 - b. Orleans County Sheriff's Report (December): The Board reviewed the report. No action taken.
9. Old and Unfinished Business:
 - a. Peak Motor & Pump Quote: Discussion was postponed until the next meeting.
 - b. 2020 Select Board Budget: David made a motion, seconded by Jack, to approve presenting a 2020 proposed budget of \$1, 016,219.78 to Glover residents at town meeting on March 3, 2020. The motion carried.
10. New Business:
 - a. Personnel: **Jack made a motion, seconded by David, to offer Steve Vance the vacant road crew position, at a rate of \$19.83/hour and waive the 6 month**

waiting period to be added to the insurance. The motion carried. David made a motion, seconded by Jack, to offer Ben Churchill the new part-time road crew position at his present rate of pay with no benefits. The motion carried.

11. Board Action:

a. The Board signed the director's orders.

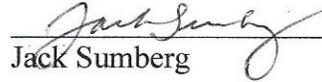
12. Adjourn: Brian made a motion, seconded by Jack, to adjourn at 10.55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,


Cynthia Epinette
Transcriber



Brian Carroll, Chair



Jack Sumberg

David Simmons