

# Glover Select Board Meeting

## Minutes

Thursday, March 26, 2020

Present: Jack Sumberg, Cindy Epinette, Transcriber and Dan Clark. Remote Participation: David Simmons, Brian Carroll, Jessica Sweeney, Town Clerk, Adam Heuslin and Sue Gibeault, Glover Ambulance, Anne Eldridge, Lake Parker Store, Noah Armstrong, Shaun Campbell, Jennifer Harlow, Orleans County Sheriff..

1. Meeting called to order at 6:31pm.
2. Introduction of those present.
3. Review of Agenda: The Board added a discussion regarding approval of a liquor license, revised quote from Pike Industries, wages for the town clerk's office and recycling as a result of the coronavirus, and recycling shut-down.
4. Reading and Approval of March 12, 2020 and March 19, 2020 minutes: Brian made a motion, seconded by David to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried.
5. Appearances by Local Citizens and Visitors:
  - a. Orleans County Sheriff's Office – Jennifer Harlow: Jennifer was present to discuss the 2020 contract. Brian made a motion, seconded by David, to accept the contract presented for \$13,015.22 for the period April 1 – March 30, 2021. The motion carried.
  - b. Anne Eldridge – Lake Parker Store/Parker Pie: Anne wanted to offer her assistance during the COVID-19 pandemic. She has offered her facilities and food services. The store is open and she encourages "curb side pick-up", Parker Pie is open for take-out only.
  - c. Dan Clark: Dan requested clarification on the Energy Committee and Planning Commission budgets. Jack indicated the Energy Committee has a budget of \$500 from the town and also has money left over from two grants they received in 2018 and 2019. The funds from the grants are restricted funds. The Planning Commission has a budget from the town of \$500.00.
6. Announcements for Review: none.
7. Reports:
  - a. Orleans County Sheriff's Office (February): The Board reviewed the report. No action taken.
8. Old and Unfinished Business:
  - a. NEK Community Broadband CUD Appointment: David made a motion, seconded by Brian, to appoint Noah Armstrong as the representative and Shaun Campbell as the alternate to the NEK Community Broadband CUD board. The motion carried.
9. New Business:
  - a. Set wages for the Tree Warden/Health Officer: Jack made a motion, seconded by David, to set the hourly rates for the Tree Warden and Health Officer at \$15.00. The motion carried.
  - b. Appointment of Fire Warden: Brian made a motion, seconded by David, to appoint Robert Richards as Fire Warden for another five (5) years. The motion carried.

- c. COVID-19 Review and Board Meeting Protocol: The Board believes it is meeting the open meeting laws in light of the COVID-19 pandemic as communicated by the State of Vermont by:
    - i. allowing remote access to participate in the meetings:
    - ii. keeping a distance of six feet apart for those attending in person and
    - iii. less than ten people meeting in person.
  - d. Recycling Update: Jack expressed concern about the vulnerability of the recycling attendants as it is related to the COVID-19 pandemic and proposed suspending service for garbage and recycling until May. Garbage collection is considered an essential service and Paul LeBrecque will continue to pick-up garbage for residents. Residents that would like their garbage picked up at their homes should contact Paul or another trash hauler of their choice,
  - e. Pike Industries Updated Quote: Jack received an updated quote from Pike Industries for the paving job on Bean Hill, Roaring Brook and a new paving project in the Ambulance Bay driveway. There is a savings of \$8,500.00 on Bean Hill road due to lower oil prices now and the paving of the ambulance bay drive \$786.00. Brian made a motion, seconded by Jack, to approve the updated quote of \$332,024.92. The motion carried.
  - f. Road Crew Update: Harvey has indicated the road crew will be busy for the next few weeks grading the roads. There is some concern about the sick leave policy as it's related to the COVID-19 pandemic. More information is needed before a decision can be made.
  - g. Wages for Town Clerk's office and Recycling: The Town Clerk's office is not considered an essential function, therefore Jessica and Cindy have decided to work two days a week each, to comply with Governor Scott's executive directive. There is concern about lost wages. Jessica will gather more information for the Board to review. The Board decided to pay the recycling attendants their regular wages until April 15<sup>th</sup>, when the situation will be re-evaluated.
10. Board Action:
- a. Liquor License Approval: The Board signed the liquor license for Currier's Quality Market.
  - b. Review the bills and signing of orders:
11. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Epinette  
Transcriber

---

Jack Sumberg, Chair

---

David Simmons

---

Brian Carroll