

Town of Bethel
Selectboard Agenda
Monday, October 10, 2022
6 pm @ Bethel Town Hall & via Zoom

Zoom Link Meeting ID: 849 1580 5455 Passcode: 417004 Dial: 1-646-558-8656

6 pm: Call meeting to order and approve agenda.

Public Comment

Discussion regarding reclassifying .46 miles of Class 3 Gilead Road, currently noted by VTrans as "Not up to Standard", to a trail.
Motion to table this discussion for a future meeting, date to be determined, while we wait for a legal opinion.

White River Valley Ambulance (WRVA) Board
Motion to remove Neal Fox, effective immediately, without cause from the WRVA Board, with grateful thanks for his service.

Motion to appoint David Aldrighetti for a three-year term to the WRVA Board.

Listers Errors and Omissions Certificate for a change in grand list of \$0, by adding one Veteran's exemption and removing another.
Motion to approve

FY 2023-2024 Budget Discussion (Town Officials, Parks & Public Places, Lister's, Debt Service)
Discussion only

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) spending plan
Open for public input

Renewal of Town Manager's Contract from October 15, 2022 to October 15, 2024.
Motion to authorize Chris Jarvis to sign contract renewal.

Minutes and Communications:

1. Town Manager's Report
2. Selectboard Minutes from 9/26/2022
3. Other Communications -
4. Any Other Business Necessary to Come Before the Board

Selectboard Meeting Agenda Notes and Town Manager's Report:

- Gilead Road: 46 miles of Class 3 Not up to Standard - I spoke with the Town's Attorney and he needs more time to research your questions from the 9/26/22 meeting.
- As we discussed on 9/26/22, you need to appoint a new Director to the White River Valley Ambulance (WRVA) Board. David Aldrighetti is willing to serve and has attended a recent WRVA meeting in a non-voting capacity. WRVA has big budget changes, and as one of the largest members, we need to have regular representation.
- The Lister's just realized there was a change with two residents Veteran's Exemptions. One did not file the appropriate paperwork with the State, so their \$40,000 exemption needs to be removed and another person was added. This makes a \$0 change in the grand list.
- Continued budget discussions. This week I have added input from the Fire Warden, the parks budget the Listers did their budget and I updated the debt service budget. Dietre is finalizing the Recreation budget and I am hoping to sit down with Morgan and AJ before the next meeting.
Here are my questions for you:
 - In the parks budget, I have budgeted for a seasonal person. We really only had 1 applicant that could take a seasonal part-time job. Should we think about making this a full-time job with ½ the year with the Road Crew, some hours with Richard and the rest to maintain parks and do building maintenance?
 - What do you think about moving back to a four person Road Crew? We could accomplish more, and with the rapidly decreasing pool of employees to chose from, this would put us in a better position to deal with turnover.
- As discussed, you have all received a copy of my current contract. Chris and I met on 10/5/2022 and made minor edits to the contract. Chris is updating it this weekend and will email it to you when he is done.

Town Manager's Report:

- Richard, AJ & Morgan successfully completed the Game of Logging, a three-day course to teach chainsaw safety and maintenance.
- I spoke with Lisa Campbell this week about the finances of the library. She is going to speak with the Library Trustees and schedule an appointment with you, to discuss ongoing appropriations to help them continue to offer and expand their services to Bethel residents. I told her Chris had been wanting to have this discussion for the last two years, and the idea brought up at one of your meetings, was that they consider merging with the school, and creating a larger public library.
- On Monday I spoke with Aldrich and Elliott regarding Phase II of the water project. The Final Intended Use Plan from the State has been issued. As I previously mentioned, they have divided our Phase II project into two sections. The first is the wellhouse, booster pump station, and AC mains with an approximate cost of \$750,000. The State said this is not eligible for any disadvantage subsidy, as our user rates do not exceed 1% of median household income (MHI). They will give us a 30-year loan at 2% interest. That

would be a loan payment of approximately \$33,572.39. The second section of our Phase II project is replacement of galvanized water lines with an approximate cost of \$850,000. For this we are eligible for lead subsidy up to \$425,000 with a loan for the balance, also for a term of 30 years at 2% interest. That would be an additional loan payment of approximately \$19,025. This would create an approximate water budget increase of 4%. Keep in mind, we need to do the first section, as without it, we cannot add additional users to the system.

- Aldrich & Elliott and I also discussed the possibility of having to remove the Sand Hill portion of the work from the project, as the federal earmark comes with its own hoops. We are moving forward with the permit to construct as the full project, but need to keep that possibility in mind. The permit to construct is due to the State by the end of December. I have sent the easement work to the Town Attorney, as we will need four additional easements to do the projects.
- We received our VOREC grant agreement and have until October 14th to respond. Rebecca Sanborn Stone, Chris Fors, Ferron Griffin, myself and others will be meeting to clarify some of the project scope and update budget items.
- The Town's Attorney heard from Brian Wright's attorney, and we are waiting for a letter that outlines all of Brian's concerns regarding Wright Road and Gilead Road. I will update you as this unfolds.











Form PVR-4261-E

ERRORS AND OMISSIONS CERTIFICATE

The Board of Listers of the Town of Bethel are hereby supplying the following changes to the 2022 Grand List. Specifically: (Year)

Owner	Dundas, Dennis Life Est	SPAN	063-019-10329
Change From	Vet Exemption ON	Change To	Vet Exemption OFF
Reason	Did not file Veterans Exemption paperwork by 5/1/22		
Owner	Prestridge, Lloyd D Sr + Marshaw + Kimberly S	SPAN	063-019-10338
Change From	Vet Exempt off	Change To	Kim - Survivor Vet Exemption ON
Reason			
Owner		SPAN	
Change From		Change To	
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LISTERS/ASSESSOR AND SELECTBOARD

Signature of Lister/Assessor 	Date	Signature of Selectboard/Alderman 	Date
Signature of Lister/Assessor 	Date	Signature of Selectboard/Alderman 	Date
Signature of Lister/Assessor 	Date	Signature of Selectboard/Alderman 	Date
Signature of Lister/Assessor 	Date	Signature of Selectboard/Alderman 	Date
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TOWN CLERK

I, _____, town clerk of _____, certify receipt of these changes. This certificate will be attached to or recorded in the grand list of _____ for tax year _____.

Signature of Town Clerk 	Printed Name	Date
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32 V.S.A. § 4261. Correcting omission from grand list

When real or personal estate is omitted from the grand list by mistake, or an obvious error is found, the listers, with the approval of the Selectboard, before December 31, may supply such omissions or correct such errors and make a certificate thereon of the fact; provided, however, the listers may make a correction resulting from the filing or rescission of a homestead declaration without approval of the Selectboard.

MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE FINAL GRAND LIST FILED WITH THE TOWN CLERK.

	Budget FY 19-20	Actual FY 19-20	Budget FY 20-21	Actual FY 20-21	Budget FY 21-22	Actual FY 21-22	Budget FY 22-23	Actual FY 22-23 As of 10/3/2022	Proposed Budget FY 23-24		Notes for 23/24 budget
TOWN OFFICIALS											
10-7-40-01.01 Selectboard	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	1,050	3,050	0	3,750		700/ea +250 extra for chair
10-7-40-01.04 Trustees Of Public Funds	250	250	250	250	250	250	600	0	600		200/ea?
10-7-40-01.06 Health Officer	600	600	600	600	600	0	600	0	1,200		1 deputy (40 HRS YEAR CURRENT EST)
10-7-40-01.07 Elections	250	0	250	37	250	0	250	0	250		
10-7-40-01.08 Board of Civil Authority	100	0	100	0	100	0	50	0	50		
10-7-40-01.10 Cemetery Commissioner	500	500	500	500	500	500	600	0	1,500		\$1,500.00
10-7-40-01.11 Fire Warden							600	0	3,000		120 hours a year plus 500 miles (25/hr)
10-7-40-01.12 Tree Warden							600	0	600		
10-7-40-02.00 Fica/medi		165	210	184	210	99	356	0	570		
TOTAL - Town Officials	2,750	2,565	2,960	2,621	2,960	1,899	6,706	0	11,520		
TOWN HALL											
10-7-35-07.00 Insurance	8,100	6,002	6,200	6,954	6,200	6,326	7,292	1,788	6,516		Value of Town Hall was increased
10-7-35-20.00 Electricity	2,490	2,205	2,500	1,400	1,200	1,621	1,200	293	1,300		greenbacker cost decrease
10-7-35-21.00 Telephone/internet	1,639	1,385	1,465	1,465	1,465	1,411	1,488	321	1,584		
10-7-35-22.00 Heat	4,700	2,734	4,700	2,321	4,000	4,539	4,000	128	4,766		5% increase over last year
10-7-35-25.00 Building Repair	6,000	4,792	6,000	4,178	6,000	3,504	4,000	1,359	4,000		Includes \$1500 TASCO
10-7-35-25.02 Repair-Clock	350	0	350	315	315	315	350	0	350		
10-7-35-51.00 Supplies	750	393	800	372	800	353	500	51	500		
10-7-35-60.00 Water & Sewer	1,500	1,202	1,500	1,208	1,350	1,234	1,296	316	1,296		
10-7-35-95.00 Other	100	0	100	0	50	0	50		50		
10-7-35-96.00 Contract Services											
TOTAL - Town Hall	28,379	21,442	23,615	18,213	21,380	19,303	20,176	4,256	20,362		
CONSTABLE DEPARTMENT											
10-7-15-01.00 Labor	18,210	14,361	18,757	7,040	19,324	4,044	18,980	1,348	26,000		20 hrs a week at \$25/hr
10-7-15-02.00 Social Security	1,129	890	1,163	436	1,198	362	1,177	84	1,612		
10-7-15-03.00 Medicare	264	208	272	98	280	85	275	20	377		
10-7-15-05.00 Health Ins											
10-7-15-04.00 Retirement	2,131	1,286	2,626	0	0				5,824		19.4% to 22.4%
10-7-15-06.00 Workers' Compensation	1,176	1,390	1,300	798	1,701	962	659	121	1,690		2% increase
10-7-15-06.01 Dental											
10-7-15-07.00 Insurance on Equipment	800	2,136	2,300	2,135	2,300	3,461	2,965	873	3,755		3% increase over current premium
10-7-15-07.02 Professional Liability	3,000	2,274	2,375	2,464	2,312	2,187	2,470	501	2,150		2% increase over current premium
10-7-15-10.00 Cruiser	2,500	2,564	3,000	2,574	2,500	871	3,000	0	3,000		

10-7-15-21.00 Cell Phone	0	443	600	580	600	592	600	99	600		50/month
10-7-15-39.00 uniforms		0	500	0	800	0	800	0	1,600		more for new officer
10-7-15-62.00 Gas	2,655	2,204	2,700	2,743	2,700	2,708	3,000	25	6,000		increased patrol + gas prices (est)
10-7-15-70.00 Contract Services	700	377	500	350	500	350	500	249	500		
10-7-15-70.01 Equipment	1,500	892	1,000	612	1,000	750	1,000	0	2,000		more for new officer
10-7-15-80.01 Grant											
10-7-15-90.00 Training	150	0	300	0	250	0	250		1,500		more for new officer
10-7-1590.01 Animal Control	1,000	264	1,000	47	1,000	0	500	0	500	500	
10-7-15-90.02 Cruiser Replacement Fund	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	1,250	5,000		
10-7-15- Signage					7,400	6,824	15,800		15,000	15,000	
10-7-15-95.00 Other	100	142	100	9	100	0	100		100		
10-7-15-96.00 CONTRACT										63,232	63/HR + .65/MILE (current 60/hr & .60 mile
10-7-15-97.00 DOG WARDEN										585	19.5/HR at 30 hours a year
TOTAL - Constable Department	40,315	34,431	43,493	24,886	48,965	28,196	57,076	4,570	77,208	79,317	80 miles per shift (40 of it Woodstock to Bethel) Four 4-hour shifts per week (saying 12 of patrol and 4 for investigations or court time)

PARKS & PUBLIC PLACES											
10-7-25-01.00 Wages	8,200	10,354	11,654	10,990	12,223	5,015	13,030	4,225	15,000		30 hrs/wek for 24 weeks \$20
10-7-25-02.00 Social Security	508	642	723	681	758	311	808	262	930		
10-7-25-03.00 Medicare	119	150	169	154	177	73	189	61	218		
10-7-25-04.00 Retirement	959	658	1,632	1,578	1,956	454	2,541		0		seasonal
10-7-25-05.00 Health Insurance	3,424	4,054	5,157	5,855	7,535	2,783	7,532		0		
10-7-25-06.00 Workers' Compensation	900	977	1,100	370	1,072	123	1,147	22	1,320		
10-7-25-06.01 Dental Insurance	127	168	172	613	355	135	334		0		
10-7-25-07.00 Insurance	2,000	149	200	67	200	10	100	21			
10-7-25-12.01 Mowing Equipment		129		-22	2,500	23	500		500		
10-7-25-12.02 Utility Truck Maint							875	146	1,200		tires, maint., etc
10-7-25-20.00 Street Lights	22,000	18,843	22,000	18,861	18,580	6,077	18,769	4,759			
10-7-25-20.01 Electricity - Parks	1,800	1,184	1,200	1,551	1,520	764	1,548	361			
10-7-25-25.01 Maintenance	3,780	2,195	2,780	1,465	12,780	2,617	7,780	901			money for stonewall, boat launch
10-7-25-26.00 Parks Beautification	500	450	3,000	904	3,000	157	5,500	171			Water fountain at bandshell
10-7-25-27.00 Flags and Poles	1,000	0	750	475	480	321	480				
10-7-25-30.00 Streetscape Program	500	0	0	20							Add money to purchase VOREC
10-7-25-35.00 Trail Maintenance							750		750		signs
10-7-25-95.00 Other	100	0	100				50	7	50		
TOTAL - Parks & Public Places	45,918	39,953	50,636	43,562	63,136	18,862	61,932	10,936	19,968		

LISTERS											
10-7-45-01.00 Wages	13,750	12,161	14,250	19,261	14,500	8,824	25,500	3,973	40,000		Judi \$22, Mo \$21, New hire \$20
10-7-45-02.00 Social Security	853	754	884	1,186	899	547	1,581	246	2,480		10 hours each per week
10-7-45-03.00 Medicare	199	180	207	277	210	128	370	58	580		Reappraisal starts in July!
10-7-45-06.00 Workers' Compensation	170	0	214	0	214	0	0	405			
10-7-45-27.00 Computer	1,860	2,001	2,217	5,050	2,800	1,863	2,800	85	3,000		
10-7-45-51.00 Supplies	850	328	850	692	850	184	850	46	900		
10-7-45-62.00 Mileage	550	330	550	114	500	48	500	2,800	500		
10-7-45 Assesor Services			10,000	0	10,000	0	0				
10-7-45-64.00 Mapping Services	3,200	0	2,800	2,675	2,800	0	2,800		3,000		
10-7-45-70.00 Training	750	145	900	127	900	215	900		1,000		
10-7-45-80.00 Memberships	270	275	275	270	300	50	300		350		
10-7-45-95.00 Other	200	76	200	200	100	0	200	35	200		
TOTAL - Listers	22,652	16,250	33,346	29,852	34,073	11,859	35,801	7,648	52,010		

DEBT SERVICE											
10-7-05-54.04 2011 Debt Financing	82,946	43,281	82,946	82,946	82,946	0	82,946	0	82,946		Matures 11/18/2044
10-7-60-88.04 Long Term Debt-Town Hall	62,821	62,821	61,174	61,174	59,528	0	59,528	0	56,236		Matures 12/20/2030
10-7-60-91.00 Interest-Tax Antic Notes	1,500	0	1,500	0	2,100	0	2,100	0	2,100		
10-7-60-97.00 Long Term Debt-WW/BFD	22,960	22,960	22,960	22,960	4,121	0	0	0			
10-7-60-98.00 Town Garage					75,000	0	0	0			
10-7-60-99.00 LOC for BRTS							2,529	0			
TOTAL - Debt Service	170,227	129,062	168,580	167,080	223,695	0	147,103	0	141,282		

Town of Bethel
Selectboard Meeting
Monday, September 26, 2022

Present: Chris Jarvis, Gene Kraus, Paul Vallee, David Eddy, Lindley Brainard, Therese Kirby, filmed by Orca Media, Norman Cohen, Jamie Daniel, Ele Griffin, Al Wakefield, Julie Hinman, Brian Amones, Danielle Mowry, Geoff Gilman, Jesse Plotsky, Owen Daniel McCarter, Brian Wright, Andrew Wright, Rita Champion, Leonard Meek, Lisa Cunningham, Christy Fry and Thatcher Hinman.

At 6 pm, Chris called the meeting to order. Lindley moved to approve the agenda as presented, Paul second, so voted.

Owen, representing the Equity and Inclusion Committee, introduced the Declaration of Inclusion and presenters Al Wakefield and Norman Cohen. Al and Norman explained how they got involved in spearheading the efforts to get all Vermont Towns to adopt the Declaration, a bit of their history, and how they feel the Declaration will help attract young people to Vermont and keep young people here. As Vermont's population is aging, we need young people to stay and/or come back and they feel the Declaration will make Vermont more welcoming. Dave wanted to know what happens when Bethel adopts this and how will people find it? Al said we should put it on our website, and recommended we go to www.vtdeclarationofinclusion.org for ideas on how to distribute it. He also said the Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) has a toolkit. Norman also suggested the Town frame it and hang it in the Town Clerk's Office. He said VLCT had vetted the Declaration and it could help the Selectboard when drafting policies too. Paul gave credit to Owen and Jesse for their work spearheading Equity & Inclusion efforts in Bethel. Lindley moved to adopt the Declaration of Inclusion, Paul second, so voted. Al and Norman said Bethel is the 68th Town to adopt the Declaration.

Public Comment: Ele Griffin said the Recreation Committee held a successful 5K race on Forward Festival and Trail Fest on Sunday went great. It was a fun event.

Discussion regarding reclassifying .46 miles of Class 3 Gilead Road, currently noted by VTrans as "Not up to Standard" on the State Highway Map, to a trail. Brian Wright does not think the Selectboard should go against their own policy. (He was referring to the Class 4 Road Policy). Geoff Gilman does not want the Town to downgrade this to a trail, as in an emergency it could be upgraded to get people out. Daniele Mowry said she and Geoff walked the road and they did not feel it was in that bad of shape. Discussion regarding the current condition of the trail, Brian's belief that to do maintenance on a trail, you need all landowners to agree, Andrew does not care if the road is reclassified as Class 4 or a trail, discussion of Mr. Sedgewick's access to his property, emergency vehicle access. The Selectboard had a list of questions for Therese to ask the Town Attorney. If someone lives on a Class 4 road, does the Town have to be sure these roads allow for emergency vehicle access? Could a future Selectboard allow someone to pent the trail? Pros and cons for Town of trail versus Class 4? Therese explained the current statutes on trail and Class 4 roads. Discussion regarding the fact that the Town does not currently have a Trail Policy, but that they could write one. The Selectboard did not take any action on this item, so it will be added to the October 10, 2022 agenda.

Discussion regarding reclassifying 720' of Class 3 Wright Road (from turnaround at farm to Class 4 section), to Class 4. Andrew is fine with the road being reclassified as a Class 4. Brian

is not. He plans to develop land on the Class 4, but feels the Town has allowed buildings to be built within the road right-of-way. He had a host of other issues where he felt the Town had sided with the farm. Therese explained the house and garage were built prior to zoning. She also reminded Brian that his lawyer had sent a letter to the Town, the Town's attorney responded, then we did not hear back from Brian's attorney so we felt these issues had already been settled. Therese also explained just because the Selectboard is going to hold a hearing to reclassify a section of Wright Road, does not mean they are going to do it. That is what the hearing process is for. The process allows the Board to hear testimony, so they can make an informed decision. Paul moved to move forward with the process to reclassify a portion of Wright Road, Lindley second, so voted. Therese recommended and the Board agreed to hire Stitzel Page and Fletcher to perform a one-party title search in Rochester and Bethel for both Gilead and Wright Road. The Board agreed.

Therese also addressed Brian's complaint that the Farm is using 1,000+ of Wright Road to cross their cattle, leaving cow manure on the road, when they could cross their cattle on their own land. Therese stated Andrew had legally applied for and received cattle crossing sign, and that the statute regarding cattle clearly states there is only a violation of the law if the cattle are "running at large". As the cattle are crossing from point a to point b, that is not the situation here. She also told Brian if he had concerns regarding the toxicity of cow manure, he could report an environmental violation to ANR and they would handle it. Andrew stated because of the river and gully directly beside Wright Road, crossing the cattle where they do is the option they have.

Dave moved to approve Babe's Bar request to cater an event on 10/8/2022 from 4 pm to 10 pm on 49 Graham Street, Paul second, so voted.

Discussion only of replacing the current Bethel representative on the White River Valley Ambulance board.

Lindley moved to authorize Chris Jarvis to negotiate on behalf of the Board, the renewal of the Town Manager's contract, Paul second, so voted. Therese's current three-year contract ends on October 15, 2022.

Therese informed the Board that we received a "BRIC" grant from FEMA, for a scoping study for the replacement of large box culvert on Gilead Road. The total of the grant is \$81,375 with a local match of \$20,343.75.

Paul moved to approve the minutes of the 9/12/2022 Selectboard meeting as amended, Dave second, so voted.

Brian asked if the tree he requested to be cut on Wright Road will be taken down. Therese said yes, that Andrew would like the wood and he is in agreement it needs to be cut down. Therese explained the tree will not be taken down this week, so don't park under it until the Road Crew gets a chance to get there.

Paul moved to adjourn at 8:16 pm, Lindley second, so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Kirby

Better Connections update

Dubois + King

What We Heard at Forward Fest

- Outdoor Commercial Space is Popular. Would be ideal on Arnold Block / Historic Side
- Commercial Space should be developed to provide opportunity for private investment in ramps in the future.
- Loss of Parking on Mascoma Side of Street is too much loss.
- Removal of on-street parking on one side would be a good approach.
- Additional Terraced Parking Lot per 98 study is popular.
- Angled Parking is not popular in front of Current Public Parking Lot
- 11' Lanes are what you have now - and we need to keep every inch of them.
- Neutral feedback on ramps vs no ramps in streetscape.
- What about the Town owned land by Babe's Bar?
- Neighboring Merchant's Row redesign (Randolph) was popular.

Where The Forward Fest Designs Should go From Here:

- Develop wider sidewalk on southern side of roadway
- Maintain a loading area on southern side of roadway
- Designate prime on-street parking areas as handicapped only.
- Focus on providing on-street parking on northern side of roadway
- Provide room and guidance for ramp construction, but not build ramps as part of a public project.
- Propose expanded parking lot above existing public parking area
- Explore formal parking solutions on town owned land adjacent to Babe's bar.
- Propose Expanded Bus Stop Access Space in front of current public parking lot
- Gas Station / Parts Store sidewalk will remove on street parking but maintain private business parking lot circulation to the greatest extent possible
- Include wayfinding signage typologies and locations.

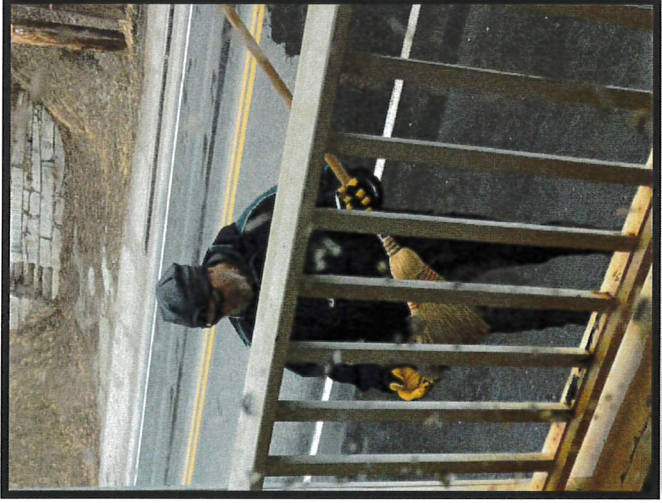
Proposed Next Steps

- 1 Gas Station / Parts Store sidewalk will remove on street parking but maintain private business parking lot circulation to the greatest extent possible
- 2 Explore formal parking solutions on town owned land adjacent to babes bar.
- 3 Focus on providing on-street parking on northern side of roadway (no significant sidewalk expansion).
- 4 Maintain a loading area on southern side of roadway
- 5 Develop wider sidewalk on southern side of roadway. Provide room and guidance for ramp construction, but not build ramps as part of a public project.
- 6 Do not move nose-in parking forward
- 7 Designate prime on-street parking areas as handicapped only (note: location may vary from where indicated on map).
- 8 Propose Expanded Bus Stop Access Space in front of current public parking lot
- 9 Propose expanded parking lot above existing public parking area
- 10 Include wayfinding signage typologies and locations (note: will be in multiple locations)
- 11 Assess existing crosswalk locations. Incorporate bump-outs into design.



α VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT α

Chuck Davis



Father, Friend, Neighbor, Health Office, Volunteer. These are just some of the many “hats” that Chuck Davis wears. Chuck has been volunteering in our town for several years. He has been on Town Committees, taken care of our many flower beds, cleaned the outside of the Town Office as well as making repairs to it. Chuck recently has taken over as our Town Health Officer. His knowledge, compassion and generosity has made a wonderful impact on our community.

Thank you, Chuck, for all you have done and continue to do for our town.

“Chuck is such a kind and generous person. He is always willing to help and does so with a smile. I know if I ever need anything I could call Chuck and he would be there in a heartbeat. He devotes so much time to making our town the inviting community it is. Thank you, Chuck, for being the amazing person you are! I am so lucky to be able to call you, my FRIEND!” ~Kelly L. Hill

“Chuck is a dedicated member of the Town of Bethel. He works tirelessly to help make Bethel a better community. He always has a smile and a friendly ‘hello’ for you.” ~ Pamela Brown

Bethel Energy Committee
9/13/22 Meeting minutes

Attending: Nicole Cyr, Chris Scheffler, Scott Putney, Vincent Bergamo

Meeting called to order 6:32pm

Agenda approved, unanimous. Minutes for Aug missing, CS will recover/NC will back-up if unable to recover.

Bethel Energy Show

Team raised \$100 from Integrity Energy and Babes Bar. Also a variety of prizes. Scott and Nicole have complete list of prizes/donors/sponsors/vendors.

\$100 will be used for four \$25 gift certificates from Main St. businesses. Nicole will buy prior to Energy Show. Other donations will be used for Best in Show prizes.

Timeline and tasks: Nicole will bring display, Scott will bring donation jar, Chris, Scott, and Nicole volunteer to staff event. Vincent will check back re: schedule.

Chris, Nicole, and Scott will distribute event poster around the area.

Regional Energy Coordinator

Nicole shared that the TRORC has a website with full info on the IREC role, and the full climate action plan specific to the seven towns the IREC serves. Cost to hire is estimated around \$140,000. Splitting costs across several towns reduces cost. Will continue to research.

Review Oct, Nov, Dec meeting schedule

Team agreed to host an open meeting in Dec to gather input from Bethel residents on BEC goals for 2023.

7:30pm - Motion to adjourn meeting, unanimous approval