

## Selectboard, October 30, 2017

Present, Moe Brigham, Chris Jarvis, Paul Vallee, Carl Russell, Town Manager Greg Maggard, Financial Manager, Terese Kirby

Call to Order (6:00)

Approval of Agenda - All in favor as written.

Public Comment or Inquiry - no public comment.

### Appointments

6:15 Larry Smith, Vermont League of Cities and Towns, Health Insurance presentation - Smith did some comparisons of current plan, and comparable plans including MVP. He thinks MVP makes sense financially, as it has lower premiums (with almost identical coverage). Russell noted that he is happy about financial savings, but wants to make sure they are doing right by the employees. Smith and Maggard assured the SB that the coverage was the same, and better in a couple of areas.

Motion to Authorize the change to MVP, Brigham. Second Jarvis. All in favor.

6:30 Constable Mark Belisle, Taser Presentation - Officer Sam Landers, of the Randolph Police Department presenting. Discussed the specifics of the electronic control device and its use, with the aid of power point. Belisle answered questions from the SB and community members. Conclude at 7:25. Belisle also noted that he has been awarded a grant via the Governors Safety Council.

### Reports, Motions, and Ordinances

Human Service Advisory Board - Appointment of new members, Sandy Farrell, Stan Capron, Paul Vallee  
Motion to approve new members, Brigham. Second, Jarvis. All in favor (Vallee abstaining)

Proposed Budget Review - Administration/Highway Department

Kirby reviewed budget developed with Greg Maggard and Allen Patton. Maggard is proposing to hire someone to do all of the local mowing, and help in the water department as needed (as opposed to using a contractor).

Kirby explained health insurance numbers, and inquired about history of buying fuel for vehicles and buildings. Clarified the use of the "streetscapes" line item, and discussed budget of Recreation Dept.

Jarvis expressed concern about the budget in comparison to last year's, but feels that this is a good place to start. Kirby and Maggard emphasized that historically the budget comes in low, and then overspends the mark. They feel it makes sense to bring the budget numbers into a realistic place. There was discussion regarding adding a quarterly budget update to the select board meeting schedule.

Whitman and Howard Engineers, Water Survey of Bethel, Vermont (1940s) Some history around the current water system, provided by Carl Russell. This system was originally rented from a private owner, so that those who used it, supported it. For informational purposes.

Town Manager's Report (see packet materials)

a.) Status update on Action Items

b.) Town Manager's Admin Report

hired Adam Wright as a roadway operator.

Spoke with Un of NC about our water system challenges, and they had some thoughts about options that might be worth pursuing.

Went to court about the Green Mountain Bible Camp. Verdict could be some time in coming back.  
The state has asked for a “comprehensive” flushing plan.  
c.) Constable’s Report - review documents in packet

#### Minutes and Communications

Selectboard Minutes October 16th, 2017 (Regular Meeting) -

Motion to approve minutes, Brigham. Second, Jarvis. All in favor.

FY2018 budget Review Schedule -

Facebook Spotlight on Jean Burnham (in packet)

Committee Minutes (in packet)

#### Other Communications

Any other business to come before the board.

- Maggard informed the board he will be out of town for a December 18th meeting. He can be available by phone if needed.

Vallee provided details regarding next steps on the Human Services committee. Discussion about process if organization requests an increase, such as presenting to the town or the SB.

Adjourn at 8:40.

Motion, Brigham. Second, Jarvis. All in favor.