

Approved October 17, 2017

CORNWALL SELECT BOARD
Regular Meeting, Cornwall Town Hall
October 3, 2017

PRESENT: Ben Marks, Brian Kemp, Magna Dodge, Ben Wood

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Sunderland, Sue Johnson, Cas Chlodnicki

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.
Quorum - established

- **AGENDA** – Magna D. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve the agenda as modified with additional topics (Line Striping, ACSWMD Grant Application and Douglas Pond - Motion passed – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

General Fund and Highway Orders – signed.
Report on Reconciled Bank Statement – reviewed.

MINUTES - September 19, 2017

Magna MOVED / Brian SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as posted.
Motion passed – 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW

- Addison County Sheriff's contract
- VLCT News
- Ben M. mentioned that the Fire Department plans to send a letter soon to the Board regarding an increase in the height of the proposed radio tower.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - none

TOWN CLERK / TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT – Sue Johnson

- Annual fire extinguisher check was done today. 2 extinguishers currently on floor need to be mounted on wall.
- Sue J. discovered leakage at the water softener. The Board asked her to call a plumber.
- There will be an Open House at Town Hall on Saturday the 7th.
- Sue J. passed out the annual renewal of insurance policy for review by the Board.
- Sue communicated with Vermont League of Cities and Towns regarding the deadline concerning insurance payout for the destroyed bridge and the extension currently in effect.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT – Mike Sunderland, Road Foreman

- Paving scheduled over the newly installed culverts on West Street.
- Salisbury has notified Cornwall of their intent to close Swamp Road on October 5, 8:30-3 due to construction, with apologies for the late notice. Mike S. will put up a road closure sign at the intersection of Swamp Road and Route 30.
- Mike S. and the Board discussed the need to clarify the process for approval of driveway access in subdivision applications. Mike S. met recently with the vice chair of the Development Review Board (DRB) about this issue. While the applicant may be asked for a letter from the Road Foreman as a condition of approval by DRB, it is the DRB that approves the application (including the location and specifications of the driveway) and it is the DRB process that determines driveway access.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Swamp Road Bridge Study** – The Town of Salisbury has received a grant of \$25,000 for a bridge study. The Cornwall Board will explore any other grants that may be available for this purpose.

Magna D. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to resolve that Ben Woods signature in support of Salisbury's grant application for an engineering study be approved notwithstanding that the study goals were unchanged. Motion passed – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

- **Addison County Sherriff's Contract** – Ben M. compared the previous and the new contract. Ben M. will discuss identified discrepancies with the Sheriff.
- **Animal Control Officer** – Ben W. reported that Bruce Cram will continue as Animal Control Officer and will be coming to hearings.
- **Line Striping** – citizen who was concerned was invited to this meeting, however she is not present. Consensus of the Board was to not make a decision at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Cas Chlodnicki – Cornwall Country Store** – Cas C. has purchased the property in the village on Route 30 with the closed store along with an adjacent acre. He outlined his vision for a multi-purpose two-story building that would include a country store with sit down eatery, apartment, and offices. The main obstacle to a sit down eatery on the site is the lack of land on his property to make a suitable mound sewer system, given that there is no municipal sewer system in the village. He has been and will continue to talk with the neighbors about possible solutions.
- **Addison County Solid Waste Management District (ACSWMD) Grant Application** – Andrea Landsberg is alternate to the

ACSWMD. The Board received a communication from her with questions about solid waste management issues. Ben M. will reply to Andrea L. with the answers provided tonight.

- **Douglas Pond** – Mary Dodge continues to advocate for a feasibility study. Ben M. will respond to her and ask her to talk with the neighbors about their concerns.

OTHER BUSINESS

Executive Session

Magna D. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to find that premature general public knowledge of personnel matters will clearly place Cornwall at a substantial disadvantage by disclosing confidential personnel information. Motion passed – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

Brian K. MOVED / Magna D. SECONDED a motion to enter into executive session to discuss Cornwall's personnel matters under the provisions of Title 1, Section 313(a)(1) of the Vermont Statutes. Motion passed – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

The Board came out of Executive Session at 9:20 pm.

Magna D. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed – 4 in favor, 0 opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 pm.

Submitted by Sharon Tierra, Secretary of the Select Board