

Approved June 4, 2019

**CORNWALL SELECT BOARD**  
Regular Meeting, Cornwall Town Hall  
May 21, 2019

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ben Marks,, Ben Wood, Brian Kemp

**ALSO PRESENT:** Sue Johnson, Mike Sunderland, Bob Burton

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

Quorum - established.

General Fund and Highway Orders - signed.

Report on Reconciled Bank Statement - reviewed.

**AGENDA** - Ben W. MOVED /Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve the agenda, after correcting date to May 21. Motion passed - 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

**MINUTES**

- May 14, 2019 - Ben W. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as posted. Motion passed - 3 in favor, 0 opposed.
- May 7, 2019 - Ben W. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve the minutes as posted. Motion passed - 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

**CORRESPONDENCE REVIEW**

- Copy of the Chronicle of the Vermont Statehouse
- Ditech Holding Company bankruptcy notice - with no concerns for Cornwall
- Notice of increase in Town Attorney fees for Board to sign and return
- Annual reports from Vermont League of Cities and Towns
- Invitation to participate in Department of Commerce census of new construction

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Bob Burton said he would like to share information about soils, expressed concerns about materials used for road maintenance, and had some questions about saplings and sand. He is meeting with Road Commissioner Brian Kemp later in the week, for a continued conversation about these issues.
- Sue J. passed on a concern relayed to her from a resident of Parkhill Road about potentially dangerous tree limbs hanging over the road. Mike S. said he would look at it.

**TOWN CLERK / TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT** - Sue Johnson

- Sue J. said there were no new items to report. She recently returned from a vacation in warmer climes, feeling rested.

**ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT** - Brian Kemp and Mike Sunderland

- Work on DeLong Road continues.
- Focus on road grading is next priority.
- Brian K. is still examining quotes for the mower.
- Mike S. and Brian K. met with Indus, a company that repairs road cracks with a process that uses specialized fabric, as the first step to explore options for needed maintenance of Swamp Road. Next step is to talk with at least one other company about options. The goal is to stabilize the road and to avoid having to completely repave it in a few years.
- Mike S. reported that a local resident came to him with a question about driveway culverts and who is responsible for the initial installation and for replacing it when needed. The answer is that a property owner who is putting in a new driveway and culvert is responsible

for installing according to Town standards. Current standard for driveway culverts is 20" minimum. When it becomes necessary to replace the driveway culvert (located in the Town right of way) the Town covers the cost of the culvert and the Road Department does the work.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion of status and signage for Hornbeam Hill Road** - Vehicles relying on GPS are driving down a private driveway off of West Street thinking it is the way to access Foote Farm properties. The private driveway is right next to Hornbeam Hill Road, which is gated at the request of the owners of the adjacent property and private driveway. Ben M. reported directions to Hornbeam Hill Road as an error to google maps and map quest, but this may not solve the problem. Main access to Foote Farm properties is from Route 125. The Board asked Mike S. to get a quote for the cost of a sign.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **• Discussion of Proposed Land Use Regulations**

- Ben M. spoke with Sarah Pelkey about ways the proposed regulations could be simplified to make them more user friendly.
- Ben W. spoke with Mary Dodge and Marc Lapin about the special features overlay map and learned that it is a State map, created with State data, and not a map that was created by the Conservation Commission.

### **• Update on Snake Mountain Dog Bite Incident** - no new information to report

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Catering Permits** - Ben M. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to approve two catering permits. Motion passed - 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

Ben W. MOVED / Brian K. SECONDED a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed - 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Submitted by Sharon Tierra, Secretary of the Select Board