

## October 20, 2015 Dorset Selectboard Minutes

Present: C. Brooks, Chair, M. Connors, Vice-Chair, H. Chandler, B. Tyler

Absent: M. Oltedal

Also Present: R. Gaiotti (Town Manager), Marilyn Kinney, Angela Arkway, Robert Menson, Joan Menson, Diana Green, Linda McGinnis, Danny Pinsonault, Sandy Pinsonault (Town Clerk), Joe Defeliece (GNAT-TV), Lindy Bowden.

B. Tyler moved & M. Connors seconded to approve the minutes of September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Joint Meeting Minutes of September 28<sup>th</sup> were reviewed, and it was noted that the next October 21<sup>st</sup>

Town right of way forms broken down into a non-municipal permit that would only apply to homeowners and private contractors, for things like utility work, landscaping, driveway work.

D. Green question about village designation and timing. R. Gaiotti commented that the agreements are between the business owners and the agency of commerce and community development. J. Menson noted that the documents talked about improvements to water and sewer infrastructures.

Finance report:

R. Gaiotti noted that we are 31% of the way through the fiscal year and noted items that were above or below expectations. Discussion ensued about delinquent taxes and status of the budget year.

Manager's Report:

Highway work, VLCT annual meeting and possible marijuana legalization and the town's position on the issue. Continued work with Fire Districts on October 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm to get updates from Prudential Committees about a possible combined fire tax contract.

Further discussion was held about planning commission 20% slope efforts and the practical application problems that the Zoning Administrator has seen recently. Discussion ensued about the process and possibly getting variances for the 20% projects. It was further discussed about Jim Sullivan supporting the Planning Commission with professional planning efforts with regard to this issue. D. Pinsonault stated that the PC was at the very beginning of this discussion and were just collecting information.

Other business:

Solar array going up on the corner of Bowen Hill Road & Route 7 at the Aerie Inn property.

Discussion about letters received by the Selectboard about the Planning Commission approval of the recent application for permanent event space at the Barrows House. D. Pinsonault talked about the process that the PC and ZA went through to approve the application and come up with written findings of fact.

October 27<sup>th</sup> the Dorset School is holding an important meeting about Act 46 and school mergers etc, meeting is 6pm at the Dorset School gym. The Schoolboard has asked that we spread the information far and wide about the meeting.

Payroll & Accounts Payable were approved by consensus.