

TOWN OF PEACHAM  
MINUTES OF THE SELECTBOARD MEETING

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

APPROVED

Selectboard Members: Beatrice Ring, Peter Craig, Richard Browne  
Public: Road Foreman Jeremy Withers, Selectboard Clerk Rebecca Washington, Janie Carle, Dave Stauffer,  
Rick Scholes, Jay Craven, Bob Hansen

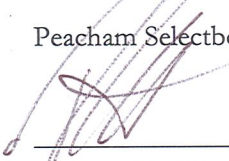
1. The meeting was called to order by Chair of the Selectboard Beatrice Ring at 6:30pm.
2. Additions to the agenda
  - a. Tree in East Peacham (see number 6)
  - b. Burrington zoning violation update (see number 8)
  - c. Change of time for regular Selectboard meetings (see number 13)
3. Highway Department update
  - a. No update.
4. Peacham Pond plowing and sanding
  - a. Withers has not yet received this year's proposal from Blakely Jenkins.
5. Possible film shoot in Peacham
  - a. Craven explained that he is planning to shoot a movie this coming spring that is set during the American Revolution in Vermont. He would like to shoot part of it in the Peacham Village in late April or early May for roughly four days, which may also include nights. There may be signs to make the Town Hall look like a tavern from the outside and Craven is interested in doing some filming at the old Peacham store if possible. Care would be taken to work with the residents and to restore everything back to the way it was before the shoot. There would be 40 students from 15 different colleges involved, Covid protocols would be followed, and there would be a Covid practitioner on staff. Craven will know more details in the next couple months.
    - i. Discussion ensued and the Selectboard did not have an objection to it as long as it's carefully planned.
6. Tree in East Peacham
  - a. The Selectboard reviewed an email from Tree Warden Neil Monteith regarding a quote to remove a dead tree in East Peacham and the status of the roadside ash tree inventory.
  - b. **Craig moved to accept the bid from Joe Layn to cut down and remove the dead tree in East Peacham for \$500, with the stipulation that the stump be cut off as close to ground level as possible. Browne seconded. All in favor. So moved.**
  - c. Discussion ensued on the logistics of the debris being taken to the Transfer Station.
7. Personnel Policy update
  - a. The latest draft of the Personnel Policy is currently at VLCT for review.
  - b. The sections regarding conduct and harassment were taken out of the Personnel Policy and included in the Code of Conduct for all town officials.
8. Burrington zoning violation update
  - a. Burrington informed Zoning Administrator Bob Hansen that there are cars going to auction and Craig explained that Burrington has posted some vehicles for sale.
  - b. The state salvage person, Vince Chiorgno, is planning a site visit to Burrington's property that Hansen and Browne would both like to attend.
  - c. The state's goal is to get the number of unregistered vehicles on Burrington's property down to three.
9. Approve minutes
  - a. **Browne moved to approve the minutes of August 4, 2021 as presented. Craig seconded. All in favor. So moved.**
10. Review and approve bills
  - a. **Craig moved to approve and pay all bills as presented. Browne seconded. All in favor. So moved.**
11. Review correspondence
  - a. Correspondence included:
    - i. An account of Ernie Shatney's concerns regarding East Peacham Road.
    - ii. A flyer for VLCT's 2021 Town Fair.
    - iii. Vermont Urban and Community Forestry's publication titled Resilient Right-of-Ways: A Guide to Community Stewardship of Vermont Backroads.
12. Executive session for personnel
  - a. **Craig moved to enter executive session for personnel. Browne seconded. All in favor. Executive session entered at 6:57pm.**
  - b. The Selectboard came out of executive session at 7:25pm.
  - c. No action taken.
13. Change of time for regular Selectboard meetings
  - a. Due to the Selectboard Clerk's upcoming scheduling conflicts on Wednesday nights, **Craig moved to change the time of the regular Selectboard meetings to 7:00pm starting with the**

September 1, 2021 meeting and going until March. Browne seconded. All in favor. So moved.


14. Adjourn

a. Craig moved to adjourn. Browne seconded. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.

Peacham Selectboard:



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Date: 9/1/21