

**Select Board Meeting
Town Office, 50 School Street,
Mount Holly, VT 05758
MARCH 11, 2025**

MINUTES

Attendance: Mark Turco, Diana Garrow, Jeff Chase, Caitlin Boyle, William Notte, Carol A Garrow Wooley, Dennis Devereux, Zena Gates, Christine Pratt, James Seward, Stephen Michel, Donna Seward, Lester Laypert, June Capron, Elizabeth Karle, David Johnson, Katy & Phillippe Crane (Zoom), Andy Schults (Zoom).

1. Call to Order – Meeting was called to order at 6:02pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Consideration of any changes and/or additions to the agenda. Agenda items 6D (Mount Holly Planning Commission Report - Jon McCann) and 8B (Approve 250th Vermont Statehood Town Resolution) were scratched from the agenda. 6D, no new report to give at this time. 8B, approved at previous meeting.

An informational update on T-Mobile adding antennas to existing Monopine Cell Tower was added to announcements.

4. Approval of February 7th, 11th, 25th Minutes. Diana Garrow made a motion to approve all minutes; Mark Turco seconded; unanimously approved.

5. Reorganization

a. Select Board Chair: Diana Garrow made a motion to reappoint Mark Turco; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

b. Tree Warden: Mark Turco made a motion to reappoint Phil Crane; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

c. E911 Coordinator: Diana Garrow made a motion to appoint Ann Hansen; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

d. 911 Measuring Responsibilities: Mark Turco made a motion to appoint David Johnson; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

e. RCSWD Representative & Alternate: Jeff Chase made a motion to appoint Clinton Woolley as the representative and Chad Farrar as the alternate; Diana Garrow seconded; unanimously approved.

f. Designated Employee Representative: Diana Garrow made a motion to appoint William Notte; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

g. Newspaper of Record: Diana Garrow made a motion to redesignate the Vermont Journal; Mark Turco seconded; unanimously approved.

h. Assistant Town Clerk: Mr. Chase made a motion to reappoint Diana Garrow, Nancy Connor, Susan Covalla, and Ann Hansen; Mr. Turco seconded; unanimously approved.

i. Assistant Town Treasurer: Mark Turco made a motion to appoint David Johnson and Dawn Augustine; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

j. Set Day & Time of Regular Select Board Meeting: Mark Turco made a motion to keep the meeting time as the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm; Diana Garrow seconded; unanimously approved.

k. Set Public Posting Places for Warnings: Mark Turco made a motion to select

the Mount Holly Post Office and Belmont Post Office; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

1. Signer for SB Orders and Authorizations: Mark Turco made a motion to reappoint Diana Garrow; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

6. Reports

a. **Highways & Transfer Station Report**, Clinton Woolley: March 30th is the last Sunday and April 2nd is the first Wednesday as the Transfer Station switches to summer hours.

Highway Dept. had to purchase a small generator.

b. **Treasurer Monthly Income & Expense Report**, Elizabeth Karle: We are two-thirds through the fiscal year. Town's cash balance will be depleting with upcoming payments to the Mount Holly School and the state. Town is seeing steady progress in receiving payment for delinquent taxes.

Town has received funds for Beaver Meadow and this is a separate line item on the town balance sheet.

Town will need to have a single audit at the close of the year to demonstrate proper use of FEMA funds.

c. **Listers' Report**, David Johnson: The remainder of notices to people with property that needs to be appraised will be sent the following day. Inspections start April 1st. Up to seventy-four property visits required this year.

d. **Mount Holly Planning Commission Report**, Jon McCann. Struck from agenda.

e. **U.S. Forest Service Update**, Martha Barnes (District Ranger), Steve Philick, and Stacy Stratton: Mount Holly is one of twenty-one towns in the Manchester District. The Forest Service is attempting to visit each town select board to give updates on forest land and active projects in their area. Pending funding two snowmobile bridges on Corridor 7 will be replaced this summer, bringing the total number of bridges replaced in the last few years up to four.

West River Timber Sale has been planned. The forest is lacking young growth. Some harvesting occurred over winter.

Planning spring burning in Beaver Meadow and Tarbellville.

7. New Business

a. **Set Spring/Summer Transfer Station Hours**. Summer hours were discussed during 6a.

8. Ongoing & Old Business

a. **Review Quotes for Limb Removal on Howland Farm road**. Town only received one proposal for this job, despite requesting additional. Proposal received from G.M. Tree Tech. Proposal recommends removing entire tree, not just limb. Proposal also includes removal of a second tree on Cy Parker Road where a culvert needs to be located.

b. Approve 250th Vermont Statehood Town Resolution. Struck from agenda.

9. Citizen Comments. No speakers.

10. Announcements/Other Business

a. Information was shared in regards to T-Mobile adding antennas to a 10' extension of existing Monopine Cell Tower. No action is needed in regards to this on the part of the town.

b. Rabies clinic at the town office will be on March 22, from 9am to noon.

11. Review & Sign Orders Nothing to be signed.

12. Executive Session: Title 1 V .S.A. S 313. No executive session needed.

13. Adjourned at 6:44 pm.

Submitted by William Notte, Select Board Clerk