



Dave and Allison discussed releasing the documents to the Planning Commission and Conservation Commission if the Town attorney cannot provide a critical reason why they should not. It was also noted that the Planning Commission and Conservation Commission should not wordsmith the documents unless there is a word that fundamentally changes the intent of the documents. Comments should be generalized and provided to the Selectboard for their consideration. It was noted that the Selectboard and School Board have not had the opportunity to discuss the draft Use Agreement as a group.

Allison Weinhagen made a motion to share the draft Easement Deed and Use Agreement with the Planning Commission and Conservation Commission pending a discussion with the Town attorney, with the understanding that the documents remain confidential and not be shared with people who do not serve on or staff the commissions, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 2-0.

### **JACKSON FARM & FOREST INTERIM FOREST MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Dave Tilton spoke with Melissa regarding his comments. Allison did not have any comments. After the Vermont Housing & Conservation Board approves the plan, it will be forwarded to the Selectboard for formal approval.

### **HALLER WASTEWATER EASEMENT**

Pat Haller was present to discuss his request for compensation for granting the Town a wastewater easement for a future community system. His request is based on the fact that the easement reduces his property value with or without the infrastructure being installed. Pat explained his calculation of arriving at the request of \$5,000. The purchase price of the land, zoning district/potential development and Current Use penalty were all factors in calculating the figure.

Allison Weinhagen made a motion to compensate Pat and Amber Haller \$5,000 for granting a wastewater easement on their property and also to reimburse the Hallers for legal fees associated with the review of the Easement Deed by their attorney, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 2-0.

### **WELCOME TO WESTFORD SIGN**

The Selectboard received an email from Barb Peck with regard to the replacement of the Welcome to Westford sign. It has been approximately two and one half years since a town resident offered to do the sign. Barb feels it is time to find another option in replacing the sign. Nanette advised that she sent an email to the town resident however has not heard back from him. Allison will try to contact him. Nanette will check with Trish Indoe to see if she still has the old sign. If so, that sign will be put up until such time a new sign can be made and installed.

### **WESTFORD ALL-HAZARDS MITIGATION PLAN**

Allison Weinhagen made a motion to approve adopt the 2017 Westford All-Hazards Mitigation Plan as approved by FEMA, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 2-0.

### **DOG WARDEN**

No one has stepped forward to fill the Dog Warden position. Dave Tilton advised that he is considering possibly applying for the position if no one else does. It was noted that the position receives a stipend and has funds budgeted for travel, education and miscellaneous expenses.

### **ROAD FOREMAN**

Allison Weinhagen made a motion to approve the Road Schedule, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 2-0.

The Board received feedback from Casey with regard to the list of contractors to perform the ditching projects with regard to the Clean Water Act. Casey had positive comments about all the contractors and pointed out some differences the Town may want to consider, such as experience and number of employees. After some discussion it was decided to affirm the Board's decision to select Craig Bushey to perform the work.

#### **ACCESS PERMIT – OLD STAGE ROAD**

Brent was unable to approve an access permit submitted by David Fitzgerald. Brent will meet with David to discuss his concerns.

#### **ROAD FOREMAN JOB DESCRIPTION**

This item was tabled until after July 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLL WARRANTS**

The Board approved the accounts payable and payroll warrants.

Nanette and Greg discussed with the Board replacement of the flag pole located near the statue. The flag pole is bent and needs to be removed. A new flag pole, including installation, will cost approximately \$1,300 to \$1,500. The Town has not budgeted for these funds. The Board would like the existing flag pole removed however does not plan to replace it at this time.

#### **FY'17 BUDGET STATUS REPORT**

The Board and Greg reviewed the FY'17 budget. There were no major changes from the discussion at the previous meeting.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

#### **EXCESS WEIGHT PERMITS**

The Vice-chair signed excess weight permits for Wayne Russin Excavating and Ronald Weston.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Allison Weinhagen made a motion to enter Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. to discuss potential litigation, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 2-0. People in attendance were Dave Tilton, Allison Weinhagen and Nanette Rogers. The Board exited Executive Session at 8:40 p.m.

Allison Weinhagen made a motion to authorize the Town Attorney to file a complaint immediately and request a temporary restraining order against Ted and Michelle Pelkey for unpermitted land development on their property, seconded by Dave Tilton. Motion passed: 2-0.

#### **ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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