

Town of Mendon

Selectboard

May 8, 2017

Members of the Selectboard present: Richard Wilcox, Geoff Wells

Town Officers and employees present: Sara Tully, Town Administrator, Bill Ellis, Road Commissioner

Residents and Visitors present:

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 PM at the Town Office.

Additions/deletions to the Agenda: Motion by R. Wilcox to approve the agenda with the addition of the Bill of Sale for the Mendon Emergency Response Trailer, Grant Paperwork and Public Work Mutual Aid to the agenda. Seconded by S. Bradley. The motion passed unanimously.

Announcements Participation with Green Up Day on May 6, 2017 was very low due to the severe wind storm that hit Rutland County on Friday May 5th. Many residents were still without power on Saturday and the roadsides were covered with downed trees and power lines. The Mendon Selectboard encourage residents to continue Green Up efforts throughout the year and the Mendon Road Crew will pick up filled bags as they see them on the roadside.

Administrative Matters

Selectmen's Orders approved and signed.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion by G. Wells to approve the minutes of 4/10/17 and 4/24/17. Motion seconded by R. Wilcox. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Business:

Townline Road Bid Analysis The bid opening for culvert C02-09 replacement on Townline Road was April 20, 2017. S. Tully presented the bid analysis submitted by Dave Conger, Dubois & King. Motion by R. Wilcox to accept the lowest bidder Griffin & Griffin Excavating for \$68,738.00. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The motion passes unanimously. The Agreement and Notice of Award was signed by R. Wilcox. The Selectboard authorized R. Wilcox to sign the Notice to Proceed once the Agreement is signed by Griffin & Griffin Excavating.

Rolston Rest The Selectboard met with the Mendon Planning Commission in March requesting they evaluate the Rolston Rest Project and determine whether it meets the goals outlined in the Mendon Town Plan. The proposed land to be transferred to the Green Mountain National Forest is partially in

two zoning districts; the Rural District and Residential 2. Currently 68% of Mendon's land is conserved by National, State and Rutland City Forest or is non-taxable because it is owned by the Town of Mendon or the Mendon Methodist Church. The majority of the Rolston Rest project lies in the Town of Chittenden. The Chittenden Selectboard has warned a Special Town Meeting to determine whether the voters of Chittenden will approve the land transfer in their town. The Mendon Selectboard believes making a decision in Mendon is premature until the results of the vote in the Town of Chittenden. The project will not continue if the voters in Chittenden is not in favor of the land transfer. The project will continue even if Mendon declines approval of the land transfer in Mendon.

Local Hazard Mitigation Plan The Selectboard signed the certification of adoption for the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan that was adopted on March 27, 2017.

Class 2 Roadway Grant Approved The Town of Mendon's application for a Class 2 Roadway Grant to resurface Park Lane was approved. The project is expected to cost \$130,237 with \$104,189 paid for in grant funds and \$26,048 paid for by the Town. The Selectboard reviewed and signed the Standard Grant Agreement for the Class 2 Roadway Grant for Park Lane.

VLCT Equipment Grant S. Tully reported that she submitted the VLCT Equipment Grant application for \$3,713 for safety equipment at the Town Garage.

Public Service Board Re: Duplicate Utility Poles Route 4 Update The Selectboard sent a letter to the Public Service Board in December 2016 requesting the duplicate poles along Route 4 in Mendon be removed. S. Tully reported that the Public Service Board informed her that Fairpoint needed to remove service from the poles and install it on the new larger poles. This is be a two year project completed in phases to have all the service removed and the smaller duplicate poles removed.

Bridge 21 Structures Grant The Selectboard reviewed and signed the Standard Grant Agreement for the Structures Grant for Bridge 21 on Wheelerville Road.

Bill of Sale MERT The Selectboard accepted the highest bid for the sale of the mendon Emergency Response Trailer from the Green Mountain Pug rescue on December 19, 2016. The Town of Mendon decals need to be removed prior to the transfer. R. Wilcox signed the Bill of Sale for \$3,000 for the Wells cargo trailer in as is condition with no warranties expressed or implied. The two All Terrain Vehicles that were transported by the Mendon Emergency Response Trailer will be sold individually and advertised for sale through acceptance of sealed bids. A minimum bid will be determined for each ATV.

Public Works Mutual Aid Rutland County experienced severe wind damage as a result of a storm that blew through the area on Friday May 5, 2017. B. Ellis requested approval from the Selectboard for the Mendon Road Crew to assist Rutland Town in storm clean up and Rutland Town will in turn assist Mendon. B. Ellis also requested approval to utilize the backhoe in Rutland Town because their backhoe is not operational at this time. The Selectboard approved B. Ellis' requests to work with Rutland Town.

There being no further business, R. Wilcox moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 6:35 PM. Motion seconded by G. Wells. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Date approved _____

Richard Wilcox

Sara Tully, Selectboard Clerk

Geoff Wells

Scott Bradley