

# Town of Mendon

Selectboard

September 10, 2018

Members of the Selectboard present: Richard Wilcox, Geoff Wells, Scott Bradley

Town Officers and employees present: Sara Tully, Town Administrator, Phil Douglas, Constable & Planning Commission, Teri Corsones, Planning Commission, Neil Langer, Planning Commission, Fred Bagley, Planning Commission, Nicole Kesselring, Planning Commission, Justin Lindholm, Planning Commission

Residents and Visitors present: None

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM at the Town Office.

*Additions/deletions to the Agenda:* Motion by R. Wilcox to add Culvert 07-48 repairs to the agenda. Seconded by G. Wells. The motion passed unanimously.

## Announcements

Special Town Meeting October 1, 2018, 6 PM, Mendon Town Office – warning can be found at [www.mendonvt.org](http://www.mendonvt.org).

## Administrative Matters

*Selectmen's Orders* approved and signed.

## Selectboard Meeting Calendar:

October 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM at the Mendon Town Office  
October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Mendon Town Office  
November 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM at the Mendon Town Office  
November 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Mendon Town Office  
December 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Mendon Town Office  
December 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM at the Mendon Town Office

Minutes of Previous Meetings: R. Wilcox moved to approve the minutes of August 27, 2018. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The motion passed unanimously.

## Business:

*Culvert 07-48 Repairs* The Selectboard continues to negotiate fees in exchange for services with Enman Kesselring for engineered repairs to culvert 07-48. The Selectboard was provided a proposal from N. Kesselring. The Selectboard tabled the discussion until the next meeting to review the proposal.

*Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission* The Selectboard provided an overview of Tax

Stabilization. Tax Stabilization would not affect any of the permitted uses or regulations set forth in the Town Plan, Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations. All required permits must be obtained by the applicant prior to the finalization of a Tax Stabilization contract. The Planning Commission supported the adoption of tax stabilization as a tool to incentivize the expansion of existing businesses or to attract development in the Commercial and Village Districts.

*Old Town Hall Demolition Bids* S. Tully reported the bids to demolish and remove the Old Town Hall were received and opened September 6, 2018 at 12PM. Four bids were received ranging from \$15,000 to \$25,500. Motion by S. Bradley to accept the bid for \$15,000 from Mendon Trucking and Excavation to demolish the Old Town Hall. Motion seconded by R. Wilcox.

*Fireworks Ordinance Review* P. Douglas reported that fireworks are regulated by state statute that require you to obtain a permit from the municipality to transport and discharge fireworks. The City of Montpelier drafted the Fireworks Ordinance with legal review and the Town of Pittsford mirrored their policy after the City of Montpelier. VLCT recommended the Montpelier Ordinance to be used as a guide. P. Douglas stated that he would be utilizing the Fireworks Ordinance to prohibit the use of fireworks in Mendon not regulating them. S. Tully discussed various requests over the years by local residents that were granted permission by the town to discharge fireworks for a special event. The Fireworks Ordinance allows the Fire Warden or the Constable to issue a Fireworks Permit. The Fireworks Ordinance authorizes a municipal ticket be issued for non-compliance of the ordinance. S. Tully recommended the penalties be set up to the statutory maximum of \$800. The Selectboard will complete a final review and S. Tully will warn for considering its adoption on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

*Bridge 21 Status* S. Tully provided an update to the construction timeline and the project should be complete by September 15<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business, R. Wilcox moved to adjourn the Selectboard Meeting at 7:40 PM. Motion seconded by S. Bradley. The Selectboard unanimously approved the motion.

Date approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Richard Wilcox

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Sara Tully, Selectboard Clerk

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Geoff Wells

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Scott Bradley