

Milton Selectboard Meeting Minutes

April 17, 2017 6:00 PM

Municipal Building Community Room
43 Bombardier Rd. Milton, VT 05468

Selectboard Members Present: Darren Adams, Chair; Kenneth Nolan, Vice Chair, John Cushing, Member; Chris Taylor, Member

Selectboard Members Not Present: John Palasik, Clerk

Staff Members Present: Don Turner, Acting Town Manager; Sarah Macy, Director of Finance and Administration

Others Present: Chris Cadwell; Nathaniel Vandal; Martha Coleman; Paul Mears; Jessica Groeling; Bobby Dragon; Courtney Lamdin, Milton Independent

I. Call to Order Darren Adams called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

II. Flag Salute Darren Adams led attendees in a Salute to the Flag.

III. Agenda Review

IV. Public Forum

Nathaniel Vandal with Green Peak Solar presented that his company is in the early stages of planning for a solar project off of Mears Road. They are working in conjunction with the Mears family, who are all present for this meeting. Project is preliminary at this time; Vandal gave an overview of the proposed configuration. Mears family commented – they want to move forward with the project in an effort to keep the long-standing family farm in the family. Mears family farm established in 1791, it is important to them to keep it an active dairy farm.

K. Nolan noted he may have to recuse himself from conversation due to personal conflict. N. Vandal thanked the board for allowing him to present and would be back with a broader plan after going before the Public Service Board.

V. Business

A. Permission to Name Little League Field

J. Groeling presented on behalf of the Milton Little League Association; the Association has been working on the history of Little League in Milton, and it's transition from sandlot ball to official Little League. Bill Black was the organizer of Milton Little League in 1954. Duane Rousse, John Mayville, Bobby Dragon also spoke on the history of Milton Little League.

The goal of the presentation was to request that the Little League field be named after the founder of Milton little League, Bill Black. The field and a scoreboard plaque would be dedicated, Bill Black at the upcoming 2017 Opening Day. Milton has one of the largest little league programs in the state and continues to grow. This field dedication is an effort to link the history of the organization to the possibilities of the future of Little League in Milton. J.

Cushing moved that the field be dedicated in the name of Bill Black; C. Taylor second.

Approved Unanimously.

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B. Application for Entertainment Permit & Facility Use Milton Car Show

Leo Belval presented for the Milton Car Show. Car Show has been ongoing for past 15 years and has donated over \$35,000 to the Children’s Miracle Program. Will have water and toilets on site. DJ and food vendors are also present; event has been successful in the past. Adams questioned having to pay an entertainment permit. J. Cushing moved that the request be approved for the car show, K. Nolan second. D. Adams wanted clarification on the recreation field use receipt. D. turner and S. Macy noted the applicant is required to pay an entertainment fee due to music being on a public road per the policy, clarification to this process was requested; approved unanimously.

C. Authorize VMBB Application

The Bombardier Property purchased with a bond anticipation note, which needs to be refunded with permanent bond financing. VMBB’s 2017 application period is open until May 15, 2017. The article specifically stipulation bonds. K. Nolan has questions regarding bonds vs. notes. Conversation around timelines, changes to bonds and note schedules. S. Macy discourages the continued use 12 month anticipatory debt due to the interest rate risk to the Town. S. Macy recommended we secure permanent financing. J. Cushing requested more investigation done on interest rates and bond financing with other banks. No vote.

D. Review Draft Substantial Change Request Narrative

Review of the second draft of the TIF Substantial Change Request and provide suggestions. A final draft will be ready for review on April 24, 2017 with the Public hearing and final approval scheduled for May 1, 2017. No vote is necessary at this time. We have everything lined up to go to Vermont Economic Progress Council (VEPC) for their meeting at the end of May. Drafts have been shared with VEPC staff along the way for input. C. Taylor complimented the document presented. D. Adams questioned do we want to add anything else to this Substantial Change Request (SCR). K. Nolan would like us to talk about sewer and water infrastructure to see if we can tie in any water/sewer projects. D. turner confirmed will meet with W/WW supervisor N. Lavallee about water/sewer projects that could be included in this TIF. K. Nolan suggested increasing the dollar amount to be \$3 million, make sure to include stormwater and other utilities as described. No Action Necessary.

E. Engagement Letter for 2017 Paving Engineering Services

Request to engage Hamlin Engineering to perform engineering and on site monitoring services for the 2017 paving. The plan includes 10.58 miles total covering: Everest Rd., Lake Rd., West Milton Rd., James Dr., Ira Pl., and Jonzetta Ct. D. Adams and K. Nolan question do we need to pave Jonzetta Ct; Ira Place or James Dr.? We want to focus our paving dollars

87 on need and not location or age. We need some additional clarity. K. Nolan questioned
88 would the paving money be better spent on another stretch of road rather than the three
89 smaller ones? C. Taylor moved to approve the request to engage Hamlin Engineering to
90 provide onsite engineering and onsite monitoring services for the 2017 paving; J. Cushing
91 second. Approved Unanimously.

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93 **F. Authorize Acting Town Manager to Negotiate Paving Prices with FY2017 Paving**
94 **Contractor**

95 C. Taylor motioned to authorize Acting TM to negotiate paving price with Pike; J. Cushing
96 seconded. Approved Unanimously.

97 **G. Update Town – School Finance Arrangement**

98 D. Turner updated SB with details from his and S. Macy’s meeting with the School
99 Superintendent. The school has the full FY17 amount of \$179,260 budgeted in the current
100 year. In FY18, the Town has \$181,300 budgeted for revenue. In their revised budget, the
101 school has lowered that to \$140,000. There was discussion of a broader shared services
102 arrangement for the future. The school expressed interest in a one-year agreement for
103 FY19. The Town proposed to bill the school \$160,000 in both FY17 and Fy18 allowing the
104 school to assign the FY17 savings to FY18 expense down to their new amount of \$140,000.
105 D. Adams moves that we bill school for the actual cost for FY17 with a maximum of \$160K
106 and school needs to agree to a joint meeting on May 8th at the Town Municipal Community
107 Room; J. Cushing second. **Yes** from D. Adams, C. Taylor, J. Cushing and **No** from K. Nolan.
108 Outcome; Town requested a joint meeting on May 8th, 6pm – 7pm with a regular SB
109 meeting following.

110 **H. Manager Update**

- 111 • Plan to go over the first two sections of the unified regulation next Monday night.
- 112 • Conversation on the Hourglass
- 113 • D. Adams questions falling rock signage on West Milton Road. D. Turner through
114 conversation with D. Keelty and N. Lavalley in a site visit say there is no need for
115 signage.
- 116 • We have asked that those organizations that want to present to the board, in
117 interest of time, submit something in writing that we can present or come to Public
118 Forum. D. Adams wants to be sure that any items that do require a spot on the
119 agenda make it to the agenda in a timely fashion. D. Turner assured that would
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I. Town Manager Process

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Adams asked board to commit to a timeline of next meeting to bring items back in

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reference to the town managers search process. K. Nolan not in favor of national

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searches, want to remain semi local. He is not in favor of hiring VLCT to do a search.

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Also asked for review of TM ad, timelines for posting TM position and projected end

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VI. Warrant # 22

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J. Cushing approved warrant for \$212,897.88; C. Taylor second. Approved unanimously.

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VII. Minutes for 4/3

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J. Cushing moved to approve; K. Nolan second. Approved unanimously.

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VIII. Adjournment

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J. Cushing moved to adjourn; K. Nolan second. Approved unanimously.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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Date: _____

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John Palasik, Selectboard Clerk

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ATTEST: _____ Milton Town Clerk