# Town of Winhall Selectboard Meeting Minutes for Wednesday, June 5, 2024

**PRESENT:** Stuart Coleman; Bill Schwartz; Julie Isaacs; Lissa Stark (Town Administrator); Lucia Wing (Secretary); Chief Tienken (Police); Beth Grant (Town Clerk); Deb Avison (Town Treasurer)

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Jeff Yates (WPC), Craig Fuller (Fuller Sand & Gravel)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Coleman opened the Selectboard meeting at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall in Bondville.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: None** 

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Chief Tienken and the Selectboard discussed the police report for May to include traffic tickets & warnings; vehicle accidents; property watch; alarms; animal matters; and medical & agency assists in and around Winhall and the Stratton Mt Resort. Chief submitted an overall summary to include number of excessive speeding tickets, DUI's, and arrests; discussion followed. Chief reported he had received four (4) applications for the fulltime police position; the new speed carts had been delivered; the lunch hosted by the Police Department at the Community Center was a success; and the new police cruiser was now operational. Chief presented the updated Police Department pay step summary; discussion followed.

# HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT: ACCESS ROAD UPDATE:

Coleman reported culvert #1 (Stratton Townline) had been installed by Weaver with several complications including unearthing high voltage power lines as well as water / snowmaking lines, which had been repaired. Fuller Excavating would begin paving the upper section of the Access Road shortly from the Stratton Townline to Mt. View Road as contracted; Clark & Sons then would begin its work from Mt. View to High Meadow Road as contracted.

#### **ACCESS PERMITS:**

After review, the Selectboard approved access permits for Kaiser Realty, 33 Sugarbush Road 18" culvert required; Sandra Lithgow, 427 Moose Hollow Road no culvert required; Jason Siemer, 69 Sugarbush Drive no culvert required; Daniel Hollenberg, 18 Bromley Knolls; and John Molinelli, 61 French Hollow Road; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* 

### **TOWNN TREASURER REPORT:**

- 1) The Town Treasurer submitted payment amounts for the Access Road Project including the Town and Stratton's shares which currently had not been paid by Stratton Corp. Discussion followed relative to the Stratton Access Reserve Fund. The Town Treasurer reported without payment from Stratton, Winhall funds would be tight going forward. The Selectboard agreed to invite Stratton to their next meeting on 6/19.
- 2) After review, the Selectboard authorized Stuart Coleman to sign the paperwork for Debra Avison who recently had been hired as the Town of Winhall Delinquent Tax Collector; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.* Discussion followed.

### **AWARD PAVING & SAND CONTRACT(S):**

- 1) After review the Selectboard awarded the paving bid to Fuller Sand & Gravel for 6600 ft. of paving on Winhall Hollow Road and 4000 ft of paving on Upper Taylor Hill Road at a cost of \$605,071.25; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous.* Pike's bid was \$692,000.
- 2) After review, the Selectboard awarded the winter sand bid to Pike at \$25.13 per cubic yd.; *motion by Isaacs;* seconded by Schwartz; unanimous. Hunter Excavating bid \$29.50; Derig Excavating bid \$29.90 per cubic yd.

# **LIQUOR CONTROL BOARD:** (No report)

# SHORT-TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE: DISCUSSION:

Jeff Yates, representing the Planning Commission, and the Selectboard discussed recent blue line changes made to the STR Ordinance by Schwartz including pre-certification of houses prior to 1978; alarm systems and installation of knox boxes; occupancy; caps or not on the number of STR units allowed in Town; vehicle parking matters including issuing tickets to unauthorized vehicle parking in roads; the police role in the above; Town Clerk fees for issuing increased Notice of Violations, liens, and other expenses; and who was considered an interested party. The Planning Commission would review all the suggested changes to the Ordinance and get back to the Selectboard. Eventually the STR Ordinance would go to the Town Attorney for review. The hope was to finalize the document by fall and in effect by the end of the year.

## **TOWN CLERK REPORT:**

- 1) The Town Clerk reported the State of Vermont House of Representatives Concurrent House Resolution had been given "In memory of former Winhall Town Treasurer Kathryn Coleman". The Town Clerk reminded the Selectboard of both Kate Coleman's and Jerry Driscoll's upcoming funeral services. The Selectboard remarked on the recent service for Marcel Gisquet who was an icon of Winhall, and the Town's intention to dedicate the Annual Town Report in his memory.
- 2) After review, the Selectboard authorized Stuart Coleman to sign the Ancillary Estate of Alexandria Bosna document per her donations to the Town of Winhall; *motion by Schwartz; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.*

## **BENSON FULLER INTERSECTION:** FYI

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING/WASTEWATER/GRANTS: FYI

**WINDHAM REGIONAL APPOINTMENT:** FYI: paperwork for the newly appointed WRC representative had been signed and authorized by the Selectboard.

**POLICIES, PROCEDURES & CORRESPONDENCE**: Employee Cost of Living Adjustments: Tabled. FYI: ARPA Funding

<u>APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTE(S)</u>: After review, the Selectboard approved the meeting minutes of 5/15/24 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Schwartz; unanimous*.

<u>WARRANTS:</u> After review, the Selectboard approved warrant 6/5/24 as presented; *motion by Isaacs; seconded by Coleman; unanimous.* 

As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 PM; motion by Coleman; seconded by Isaacs; unanimous.

Lucia Wing, Secretary, Winhall Selectboard

E. Stuart Coleman Chair

William Schwartz, Vice-Chair

Julie Isaacs, Member