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October 1, 2018 – 5 p.m.
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Burke Town Clerk's Office**

PRESENT: Joe Allard, Christine Emmons, Darryel Corrow, Jake Lavelly, Dave Kaufman, Cathi Feeley, One Burke Committee Members, Lynette Claudon, Mary Clark and Faith Ingulsrud, Rick Hackett, Larry Dwyer (Lyndon Snow Cruisers), George Frank, Brent Schafer

Joe opened the meeting at 5 p.m. with the reading of the September meeting minutes. Chris made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Darryel seconded.

VISTORS: **Jake Lavelly, Senior Advisor, Wells Fargo** came before the Board to update them on process of closing and moving the Abbvie and Abbott accounts. The Board has asked Wells Fargo to take over and manage some of the Abbvie and Abbott stock that the Town has had for many years. The Board told him that they want to keep 15% of the stock which is about 500 shares and leave as is and Wells Fargo will manage the rest. Jake will wait until after the dividend period has passed before he makes all of the transfers. Christine made a motion to transfer the Abbvie and Abbott stock to Wells Fargo to manage except for the 15% that the Town will keep. There will be no management fees for those shares that the Town is keeping. Joe seconded.

One-Burke – Lynette Claudon, and Mary Clark of the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation and Faith Ingulsrud from the Vermont Department Housing and Community Development came before the Board to bring them up to date on the progress of the \$30,000 Federal Grant for the feasible study to put in a Water and Wastewater system in the Village of West Burke. Mary stated that they have been awarded the grant for the Water and Wastewater system for the Town of Burke and the Town of Wolcott. The original request was for \$250,000 but was awarded \$219,000 plus \$112,000 in SRS Regional Planning advance money that is also dedicated to the project for a total of \$313,000. The only commitment that they ask the Town is to help form a community volunteer committee and the have Selectmen's involvement They would like to plan a kick off meeting with both towns to have a joint gathering which would include the Planning Commission, Selectboards and any other interested parties. They are working on a meeting place in Greensboro but have not finalized the plans yet. The date will be November 13th from 5 to 7 p.m. Christine wanted to be sure to include the Trustees and Directors of the Village of West Burke. Mary also wanted to mention that they would like to schedule monthly meetings with everyone including the Selectboard and One Burke.

Christine felt that when there needs to be critical decisions made that would be sufficient for meetings with the Board. Joe said that email updates would be acceptable also.

Rick Hackett – Came before the Board to discuss tree removal from the Hillside Cemetery. He brought a quote from Lefebvre Tree Works for \$1,250. The Board thought that would be reasonable so Rick will have that work done. He also mentioned that there are other trees at the Meeting House and the Howland Cemetery. He told the Board that he and Marcia have been pressure washing stones. He has also been getting pricing on new fencing for Howland and Woodmont Cemetery.

Rick also wanted to bring up the subject of Kingdom Trails and the fact that he and many others in Town feel that Kingdom Trails should be contributing to the town financially because they cross so much of the properties and roads in Town. He felt if a certain amount was added to the passes and passed on to the town would be very helpful. Christine told him that there has been conversations with Kingdom Trails along that line already and they are going to schedule a meeting to discuss it further.

Larry Dwyer – Lyndon Sno Cruisers, came before the Board to have them sign the Landowner Permission Form because many of the VAST trails go across a lot of Town land. This is for Liability purposes.

George Frank – came before the Board to discuss the plans for the roof over the loading ramp at the at the Recycle Building. He told the Board that he has already made the tresses at home. He will be starting on the building next week.

The Board also discussed fixing the leak at the Meeting House. George thinks that it is coming from around the Steeple but would try to find a way to get up there and investigate.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT – Dave told the Board that they have gotten up the Winter Sand. The West Darling Hill Road is completed. They have been doing a lot of ditching. He would like to get some gravel from the Gingue pit and put it on some roads before winter so that he can see how it holds up over the Winter. He thinks it looks pretty good. He hopes to get all the roads graded one more time before Winter sets in. The Burke Hollow Road project is coming along well. Hopes to be done in a week or so. The Board has decided to delay putting the top coat on until Spring to give the road a chance to settle over the winter.

Dave wanted to confirm his understanding of the Walker Road that the Town is to continue to plow as in the past. The Board confirmed that is the case. Christine did say that the Board did agree to continue to maintain and plow until the water lines were put in, which should be next Spring. After that if the residents do not bring the road up to class 3 standards then the Town will not be plowing and maintaining that road after that. Dave and Christine went to meet with some of the Residents and Gary Leach from the Burke Fire District to go over what needs to be done. They made suggestions that the residents get some quotes and made some suggestions for contractors. The rest is up to them.

George Wagner has been too busy to crush any of the material from the Dam. Dave asked if they could wait until Spring. He would like to use that money for more gravel. They would budget Wagner again during the budget meetings for next year.

Dave asked who would be clearing the sidewalks in East Burke this winter. After some discussion, the Board said they would put it out to bid but would have to come up with some specs.

CONSTABLE REPORT – No Report

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT: Brent Shafer was at the Board meeting to give his monthly report. He said that he had reviewed some permits and has checked on a couple of violations that were reported to him. Brent said that there were buildings going up in East Burke for the Burke Fire District water project and he needs to go see them to get permits for them.

Brent said that Kevin Lajoie and his neighbors have come to an agreement and has determined that the driveway is part of the Town Road. Mr. Lajoie is supposed to come in and get a permit for an easement which he has not done yet.

The Howard Bailey trailer on Route 5 is now in violation and will be charged a per day fee until the violation is corrected. Brent will be turning the case over to the Town Attorney.

Joe will be checking with the State to see if the Schwag property at 45 Route 5A is up to standards for occupancy.

Joe also asked Brent what the status was on the violations for Tom Williamson. Brent said that it was on his to-do list.

OTHER BUSINESS: ** Signed the Landowner Permission Form for the Lyndon Snow Cruisers. This was necessary because the VAST snowmobile trail goes across Town property.

- ** Signed Cemetery Confirmation for Patricia Deth in Woodmont Cemetery
- ** Signed Cargill form for Deicer Salt Ice Control for a price of \$80.85 per Ton
- ** Signed Overweight permit for Grizzley Mountain Trucking
- ** Signed Road Access Permit for Daniel Kantor

Joe said that Butch Williams has given his notice from Recycling as of October 10, 2018. The Board will advertise the position. They will discuss how they want to fill the position.

Christine told the Board that Gary Leach says that they have to do some additional work at the JCT of 114 and the Burke Mt Road. Also Dave needs to get in touch with him in reference to a culvert near Ford Hubbard’s property. Also there was further discussion on the sidewalk in front of the church that is very dangerous and was not part of the original sidewalk project. She was not clear if Mr. Leach was asking for additional money.

The Board had received notice that Kingdom Trails will be sponsoring the Circumburke Race which is a bike event to take place on Saturday October 13. They will be submitting a certificate of insurance prior to that event. The Board did not have any issues with the event as long as Kingdom Trails provided traffic control.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Board reviewed the correspondence. Read letter from Robert McKee, Pinkham Road in reference of a permit denial. No action taken.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE: The Board reviewed the warrants payables and signed the warrant as submitted.

With no other business to come before the Board, Christine made a motion to adjourn. Darryel seconded.

Respectfully Submitted,

Priscilla Aldrich, cvc, cvt, cmc
Town Clerk and Treasurer

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