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SELECTMEN'S MEETING
Burke Town Clerk's Office

PRESENT: Sam Sanderson, Darryel Corrow, Emery Noyes Paul Gallant, Doug Gimler (Zoning Administrator), Mike Harris, Al Duey, Will Ware

Sam opened the Selectmen's meeting with the reading of the June meeting minutes. Emery made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted. Darryel seconded. All in favor.

ROAD FOREMAN REPORT – Will told the board that he gotten the new truck. All is well. He will be needing gravel. They discussed doing shimming on Burke Hill and Calendar Brook Road. They discussed doing cosmetic touch up work to Dale's, Jim's and the Rubbish truck. Will has been in contact with Neil Favreau from Sutton who could do most of the work. Will told the Board that they need to put a rear end in the John Deere Backhoe. Parts and Labor will cost about \$12,000. With a year warranty. He has ordered four tires for the Grader.

VISITORS: John Waterman came before the Board to see if the Town could make some improvements on the upper side of Gator Alley from Burke Green Road to his property. He told the Board that AmeriGas is refusing to make deliveries to his house unless they make improvements to the Road. Sam asked Will to go take a look at it and see what can be done to make it passable again. This is a class 4 road.

Al Duey: Came before Board to bring them up to date on the East Burke Scoping Study. There is a conference call on Thursday at 2 p.m.

The Tax mapping program contract has been signed and would be returned soon. They have been able to cut \$1,500 off the original cost. The program can be loaded on as many computers as needed when it gets up and running.

Al told the Board that they have done work on the Flood zone program and they will be having public meetings and his committee will sending out letters to people in those flood zones letter inviting them to the meeting. This will be a public hearings as required.

Also, Al asked the board to officially designate specific places to post public meeting agendas. The Board stated that East Burke Post Office, West Burke Post office and the Burke Town Office will be the

designated areas to post announcements to be in compliance with the new posting law that went into effect on July 1st.

The Board spoke to AI about updating the Emergency Plan. AI will contact NVDA. Sam also asked AI to have the Planning Commission look into adding language to the Town Plan concerning parking issues.

Mike Harris: Came before the Board to clarify what he read in the Caledonian-Record concerning bridges. He read that the Town would be replacing a bridge on the Mountain Road which is not correct. Emery was talking to the reporter about the bridge project in East Burke Village. Mike also questioned the progress of the Hayden Crossing Bridge replacement and the possibility of getting a grant to fix it. Emery explained that they are having Holden Engineering out of New Hampshire looking into getting a grant for the engineering study on the Hayden Crossing Bridge now. Holden Engineering gave a cost estimate for the Hayden Crossing Bridge for a Timber Deck on Concrete Abutments at \$327,225 and a precast concrete plank bridge deck on abutments at \$322,225. The reports are available in the Town Clerk's Office for review.

Mike also told the Board that the two bridges on Church Street need attention. The railings over River need to be replaced. Mike suggested that the Town could put up guardrails. Sam said they would look into it.

CONSTABLE REPORT: Paul told the Board that he had problems in East Burke Village with the bikers and vans transporting the bikers to the Mountain. Sam said that he would speak to Tim Tierney to see if they can make better arrangements for next year. Other than that things are quiet.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT: Sam told Doug that they had turned the Ruggles violations over to the Town Lawyer and until she has time to review the case then they will send him the proper fine letter. There was some discussion on the amount of fine and the total and how often. They will have the lawyer look it over and see what she has to say about it.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- **The Board signed the Cash Management Agreement with Community Bank.
- **The Board discussed the Vermont's Materials Management Plan formally called the Solid Waste Management Plan. They will be updated that soon.
- **The Board signed a Cemetery Confirmation.
- **Reviewed a change the Appraisal report from the Listers for the Ham House which is now taxable because it is an income property..
- **Appointed Elise Lawson to the Burke Conservation Commission
- **Reviewed and accepted a proposal from Richard Norcross & Son Drywall in the amount of \$9,625.50 for work to be done on the Meeting House ceiling.
- **Discussed repairs to the Hillside Cemetery exit road. Ricky wanted to pave the exit part of the road, but the Board thought it may be too slippery because of the steepness. Will get some estimates on both staymat and paving and may put in the budget for next year.
- ** Discussed buying back cemetery lots. They will decide on a case by case basis.

CORRESPONDENCE: Reviewed and signed the Right of Way Quit Claim Deed for the Bridge Project BRF 0269 (13) on Route 114.

Reviewed and signed memorandum of understanding with Randall Northrop, Corrette & Associates who will be assisting with improving the bookkeeping system.

The Board reviewed a letter from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns in response to allowing the public on the second floor to access the Lister's office. After inspection from Frederick Satink, Supervisor of Loss Control at the League, he states in his response "Given the lack of ADA compliant accessibility, it is appropriate to retain the policy that the Listers meet with members of the general public on the first floor". The Board agreed that not allowing the public on second floor will continue as in the past.

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

With no other business to come before the board, Emery made a motion to adjourn. Sam seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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