

Town of Burke  
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April 1, 2019-5:00 P.M.  
Select Board Meeting

Burke Town Clerk's Office

Present: Ford Hubbard, Christine Emmons, Joe Allard, Dave Kaufman (Road Foreman)

Visitors: John Kasценка, Hank Butler, Carol Krochak, Sam James, Brandon Mazur, Abigail Montgomery

Joe opened Selectboard meeting at 5:00 p.m. Review of the March 4, 2019 minutes, Chris motioned to approve as written, Joe seconded, Minutes approved.

Ford Hubbard was introduced as the new Selectboard member voted in at Town Meeting.

Time to appoint a new chair. Joe motioned for Christine to become new chair, Ford seconded, Christine accepted the position.

**Visitors:**

Hank Butler is the Coordinator for the Green-up committee in Burke. He has spoken with the State about cleaning up along RT 5. Burke Mountain is considering doing a cookout on that day, May 4, 2019, for everyone participating in Green Up Day.

The Conservation Committee is very interested in finding grants or other source of income to purchase Pete's Pond on the Burke Hollow Road. The pond could be used for educational purposes, for the area schools. The Select board are in favor of the Conservation Board continuing to look for funding for the purchase. The board will write a letter of support when necessary. Asking price is \$99,000.

Brandon Mazur principal of the East Burke School, wanted the Board to know that the school is operating with no water. They have had no water for a week. They share a water line with Café Lotti and the cafe has water. The café is letting the school use the rest rooms. Brandon is bringing in bottled water. He has contacted the Burke Fire District (which is a separate entity from the Town of Burke) and Dan Davis did go to the school. He determined that the lines didn't get properly flushed at the time when there was another problem with the system. The Health Officer may need to help with this.

Sam James the recycle center and rubbish attendant wanted to make the board aware of an ongoing problem at 24 Dashney Road. Daniel Kantor is the owner of the home and he is putting hazardous material and construction material in his rubbish. The bag split open and this was how this was discovered. They have spoken with Mr. Kantor on several occasions. A letter will be written to Mr. Kantor.

The recycling that he leaves out is the same way. Recycling must be sorted and clean. Mr. Kantor will be sent a letter and if this continues, his rubbish and recycling will not get picked up.

Sam would like to open up a section of the Recycle Building, which would make getting around with the fork lift easier. He felt that George Frank and himself could do this job. The Board approved this and will pay Sam using his recycling wages.

Sam is finding places to sell the recycle material. He is making the bales bigger which is what the trucking company want.

Carol Krochak wondered about the flashing signs in VT RT 114. Doug Morton of NVDA, has the paperwork for that and he has to submit it to the state for approval. Chris will follow-up with him. John Kresser is working on Pop-up sidewalks which is a temporary painting.

The Board has agreed to stencil markings in the pavement at the intersection by Greer's garage by the yield sign. Dave will contact Frank's line stripping company.

### **Zoning Administrator**

Papers have been served to Tom Williamson regarding the number of unregistered cars located at his property at 4080 US RT 5 West Burke VT. Mike has sent letters to Tom and has gotten no response. The town lawyer will now be called to get involved.

Abigail Montgomery has been gathering information on a local option tax . She will also be in contact with Marty Feltus for more information. She will need to get together with the Selectboard to discuss the details. Do they want to have this together by Town Meeting for voters to vote on or do they want to hold a special vote?

### **Road Foreman**

- \* Dave stated the one ton truck has been fixed. It was a transmission line.
- \* The Town Garage Committee will be starting soon.
- \* Drainage problem in East Burke seems to be seeping today. Less of a problem for now but if we get a heavy rain It won't keep up. Stephanie from V-Trans will be here with remote camera end of next week. A contractor should be hired to dig up that drain. State may repave that area if the pavement gets disturbs.
- \* The roadsides should all be cutback. This should be announced in the newspaper, website and facebook so people are aware of the plan. The Town has a 25 foot setback.
- \*This time of year is difficult to smooth out roads.
- \* Pinkam Road is holding up good from the work that was done to it last year.
- \* Stamatt should be used on some area's instead of gravel.
- \* New truck is done, it won't be here until June.
- \* Road crew will be attending a round table discussion on rolling with a grader.
- \* Chris will set up meeting with Shawna for around April 19, 2019, to discuss grants that are available.
- \* Grant will be resubmitted that the town didn't get last year for culvert work around Pete's Pond on the Burke Hollow Road. Chris will resubmit them.
- \* Chris will contact Doug Morton on the Final Design at the bottom of East Darling Hill Road. With Bikers and snowmobilers coming out of the trail by bridge, this is a problem area.
- \*Newark Street needs to be reclaimed. State is paving Route 5A this summer. Possible they could do some paving on Newark Street. This is not in the budget. Dave will get 3 bids for this.
- \* The contractor that did the water system in East Burke will be fixing Kirby Road. There is a wooden rail missing by a gully around the area of 859 Kirby Road. It was determined that that is in Lyndon.

Sheriff's contract was read by Chris, They would like the contract to also include the wording criminal and traffic. The Board would like a monthly report from them. Linda will contact Dean Shatney and ask him to write that up in the contract.

The ad for 2019 Lawn Mowing will be put in the Newspaper, asking for bids due by the May 6, 2019 meeting. Also will include must be weekly mowing and string trimming. From May thru Last Week in September.

Christine asked for a motion to re-appoint each of the following members. All in favor.

Planning Commission

Keith Clark - Three Year Term

\*\* DRB

Frank Cuccia - Three Year Term

Scott Chappell – Three Year Term

\*\* Cemetery Sextons

Marcia Hackett One Year Term

\*\* Animal Control Officer

Candace Dane - One Year Term

\*\* Fence Viewers

Tom Blake - One Year Term

Gib Aldrich - One Year Term

George Wagner - One Year Term

\*\* Tree Warden

Garrett Paquette - One Year Terms

\*\* Fire Warden

Wayne Greer

Correspondence:

Email from James Bentley, he would like to be appointed to the Development Review Board. This means that planning will need a new member. Chris asked for a motion to appoint James. Joe seconded. All in favor.

The Board signed the following:

Accounts Payable Bills

Payroll Warrants

Liquor Licenses

Road Access Permit

Overweight Permits

No other Business, Chris asked for motion to adjourn, Joe seconded, All in favor.

Respectfully submitted:

Linda Hackett-Corey, Assistant Town Clerk

