

**Town of Royalton
Royalton Selectboard Special Meeting
July 19, 2016 7:00pm
Town Office on Route 14**

Royalton Selectboard: Larry Trottier, Peggy Ainsworth, Sandy Conrad, Joan Goldstein

Regrets: Phil Gates

Public Present: Chris Grisham, Matt Pritchard, Arthur White, Tim Mills

Town Staff: Rose Hemond Administration and Finance Manager

Royalton Selectboard Chairman Larry Trottier opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

Chris Grisham, Matt Pritchard from the Vermont Law School requested permission for use of the South Royalton Green on 09/11/2016 as the starting line for a run from 2pm -4:30pm down North Windsor Street and looping back to the Vermont Law School. They requested North Windsor be closed from 2-4:30pm and to have Royalton Police on hand for traffic control. P. Ainsworth motioned and S. Conrad seconded to approve the use of the green and the closing of N. Windsor Street. The town will also provide police support free of charge. Motion passed 3-0

Chris and Matt explained that people can register online for the run and all profits will go toward the South Royalton School Playground Fund.

S. Conrad motioned and J. Goldstein seconded to enter into executive session at 7:15 pm to discuss personnel matters. They invited Tim Mills and Arthur White to stay. Motion passed 3-0.

**P. Ainsworth motioned and P. Gates seconded to exit executive session at 8:56 pm
Motion passed 3-0**

Action taken. P. Ainsworth motioned and J. Goldstein seconded to make an offer of employment to Arthur White and Tim Mills to work as wastewater facility operators at the Royalton Wastewater Facility starting 09/01/2016. Motion passed 3-0.

Joan will contact Simon Operations and request a contract extension.

The Selectboard decided to send letter to Don Boule, Sean Hurdle and Judy Blossom stating that their activities involving pigs has been deemed a public nuisance. The Selectboard was advised by Attorney Paul Giuliani that “*the Selectboard should keep in mind that they have the inherent power to declare and abate public nuisances. The definition of “public nuisance” is quite broad. It’s a common law concept which has evolved to deal with conditions and situations that don’t lend themselves to being addressed by specific enactments. The alleged public nuisance in question doesn’t have to be town-wide. The fact that a segment of the general public is exposed to it is sufficient.*”

The Selectboard would also like to invite all parties to a Selectboard meeting and discuss the pig situation.

Sandy would like to have an energy audit done on the Academy Building and the town streetlights. She will contact Efficiency Vermont to get this started.

Meeting Adjourned 9:40 pm
Respectfully Submitted
Rose Hemond
Royalton Administration and Finance Manager