

**Town of Royalton
Royalton Selectboard Meeting
February 14, 2017 7:00pm
Town Office on Route 14**

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

Town Staff: Town Administrator, Rose Hemond,

Public: Jojo Levasseur, Steven and Gail Kondi, Megan Calla, Tony Salls,

Larry opened the meeting at 7:00 pm

P. Gates motioned and P. Ainsworth seconded to enter into executive session at 7:10pm to discuss personnel matters. Motion passed 3-1

Rose Hemond, Steve and Gail Kondi were invited to stay.

P. Gates motioned and P. Ainsworth seconded to exit executive session at 7:30pm Motion passed 4-0

Action Taken: The town will contact Project WorkSAFE to inspect the Royalton Town Garage.

Megan Calla, currently a Vermont Law School Student asked the Selectboard to award her the remaining funds (\$23K) on the VLS Scholarship for her spring 2017 tuition. Megan applied for the scholarship through the South Royalton School which does not review applications until May 2017. Megan is not being awarded the scholarship, just the remaining funds for spring of 2017. It was explained to Megan that in order to be awarded the full VLS scholarship, her application will be reviewed by the South Royalton School along with the other applicants in May. Sandy asked how remaining scholarship funds were handled in the past and was told this has not happened before.

P.Gates motioned and J. Goldstein seconded to award Megan Calla \$23K remain on the spring 2017 VLS scholarship. Motion passed 4-0

No Appeal or Suit Pending against the Royalton Listers: P. Ainsworth motioned and P. Gates seconded to sign No Appeal or Suit Pending against the Royalton Listers. Motion passed 4-0

The Selectboard reviewed a draft of "Notice for Property Owners" from Royalton Town Lister Jeff Barcelow. This notice was created to help Royalton taxpayers understand that the expenses for school and town are more than what is collected locally in tax revenue. The difference is funded by the state.

Excess Weight permits J. Goldstein motioned and P. Gates seconded to approve excess weight permits for CSE Inc, Newport Sand and Gravel Company, and McCullough Cursing. Motion passed 4-0.

Liquor Licenses J. Goldstein Motioned and P. Gates seconded to approve the following liquor licenses: Rib's Deli, Corner stop Mini Mart, Mccullough Quick Stop and South Royalton Market. Motion passed 4-0

The Selectboard reviewed an email from Kathy Hassey in regards to a “Curb your dog” sign in town. The Selectboard suggested placing one on the Hope Property.

Green Lantern Group. The Selectboard reviewed information from Green Lantern Group who develops solar array projects. The Selectboard would will pass along this information to the Royalton Planning Commission

Foxville Parks S. Conrad motioned and P. Ainsworth seconded to allow the town to supply gravel from the town pit for the Foxville Park parking lots approximately 190 yard gravel. Motion passed 4-0

Update on Wastewater Refurbishment project: The Selectboard was updated on the design and schedule for the Wastewater project that will go to construction May 2017.

Sandy requested a reference sheet that will help her understand the results of the monthly wastewater report.

Interim Financing for the Royalton Wastewater Refurbishment Project. Two bids for \$1,100,000.00 interim financing for the Royalton Wastewater Facility were submitted to the Selectboard. Lake Sunapee Bank and Mascoma Savings Bank. Both had the same interest rate for 18 months except LSB had a \$1000.00 fee. **J. Goldstein motioned and P. Ainsworth seconded to apply for the line of credit for the Royalton Wastewater Refurbishment from Mascoma Savings Bank. Motion passed 4-0**

Sandy inquired as to the analysis to pay the debt service on the Royalton Wastewater Facility Loan. Reports will be sent out and a special meeting may be held to discuss this in further detail.

Account Payable: The Selectboard reviewed and approved the Accounts payable as prepared by town treasurer LuAnn Bingham.

Meeting Minutes 01/24/2017 P. Ainsworth motioned and S. Conrad seconded to approve the meeting minutes with corrections. Motion passed 4-0

Phil informed the Selectboard that the trash pump at the Royalton Wastewater facility need to be reprinted. Sandy asked for a quote on the repair before it is approved.

The Selectboard was presented budget FY 17/18 budgets and analysis to help prepare for Town Meeting.

Meeting Adjourn 9:10 pm
Respectfully Submitted
Rose Hemond Town Administrator