

East Montpelier Selectboard

June 5, 2017 Special meeting: vicious dog hearing

After hearing evidence involving the dog Oakley, owned by Reuben Adams, of 515 Brazier Road in East Montpelier, the board moved to a closed deliberative session and approved the following motion:

*to adjudge the dog, Oakley, a "vicious dog" and order that Oakley be "re housed" outside of East Montpelier by 10 days after the expected date Mr. Adams will receive the decision; if the dog, Oakley, remains in East Montpelier past the deadline, Oakley will be impounded and humanely destroyed

June 5, 2017 Regular Selectboard Meeting

Discussion items:

*Restructuring tasks of the Collector of Delinquent Taxes, now an appointed position

*Status of EM Revolving Loan Advisory Fund presented by committee

*Status of the recently independent EM Recreation Committee

Motions passed:

*to appoint Carla Occaso to the Board of Auditors for the remainder of the first year of a three year term until, until March 6, 2018

*to appoint Lindy Johnson, Ann Stanton, Charlie Catlin, Jeanne Malachowski, Sandal Cate, Paul Erlbaum, and Sue Racanelli to the Funding Request Committee for the terms ending March, 2018

*to authorize East Montpelier Senior Living Initiative to expend up to \$5,000 to hire a consultant to assist in the development of a CDBG planning application

*to authorize the East Montpelier Fire Department to use the East Montpelier Fire Department Capital Reserve funds to purchase a \$330,00 used, 2013 Rescue/Pumper on presented terms

*to authorize TA Johnson, to complete and sign the VTrans forms to allow CCS Constructors the requested limited use of town-owned LaPerle parcels in conjunction with road and bridge work in the Village

*to authorize Chair Gardner to sign the 6/1/17 letter to the VT Department of Taxes, requesting an extension of time to file the abstract of individual lists

*to approve the Washington Electric utility line extension on East Hill Road, as recommended by Road Foreman, Garand

*to authorize TA to sign the VTrans Structures Grant agreement for Mallory Brook culvert engineering study

*to authorize TA to sign the VTrans Structures Grant for Murray Road culvert

*to authorize Chair Gardner to sign the VHCB feasibility study grant agreement

*to authorize TA to complete and sign the letter of collaboration with VT Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation

*to authorize TA to submit an application to the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission for a safety study of the Towne Hill Road/Gallison Hill Road/Brazier Road intersection

*to sign and submit the letter of intent to participate in the RPC/DEC Municipal Roads Grants-in-Aid Pilot Project

*to approve East Montpelier Access Application as recommended by Road Foreman Garand

June 26, 2017

Motions passed:

*to reconsider the decision in the 6/5/17 "Vicious Dog" hearing for the dog, Oakley (see July 10)

*to assign FY17 budget surplus to specific areas as required by law (see full minutes)

*to appoint Rob Chickering and Tom Fisher to the East Montpelier Energy Committee

*to approve East Montpelier Access Application 17-028 for 504 County Road as recommended by Road Foreman, Garand

*to approve the Annual Query Manager Support Agreement with CAI Technologies at a cost of \$500

*to approve the a FY18 wage schedule for municipal employees as presented, including an additional five days of vacation time for municipal assistant Denise Brown, in appreciation of her coverage of the town clerk position

June 29, 2017: continuation of the June 26 meeting

Discussed an employment issue and real estate issues in Executive Session. In open session the following motions were passed:

*to authorize TA Johnson to negotiate with the Hudson family on the potential purchase of the 2812 US2 parcel subject to a price limitation imposed by the Selectboard

*to offer VMERS Defined Benefit Plan Group C to all qualified management personnel

*to offer Guthrie Perry the position of East Montpelier Road Foreman on the terms outlined

*to offer Sandra Ferver the position of East Montpelier Town Clerk upon acceptance of the listed terms. If Ms. Ferver declines the clerk job, CJ Flynn will be offered the position of Interim Town Clerk under terms outlined, and the clerk search will be reopened.

*appointed town officers: Don Welch as Town Treasurer and Collector of Current Taxes; Denise Brown as Assistant Town Clerk and Assistant Treasurer; Bruce Johnson as Zoning Administrator and Collector of Delinquent Taxes; Gene Troia as Acting Zoning Administrator; Seth Gardner and Bruce Johnson as Road Commissioners

July 10, 2017 – Vicious Dog Reconsideration

After hearing new evidence the board passed a motion allowing the 6/9/17 protective order to stand

Motions passed:

*to adopt the Town of East Montpelier Cash Receipts, Petty Cash, and Returned Check Policy, as amended

*to authorize the purchase of the Hudson Parcel for \$95,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund and to authorize Seth Gardner to sign a special warrant for the closing check

East Montpelier Planning Commission

June 1, 2017

Discussion items:

*Laura Ranker from CVRPC outlined issues involved with updating the Hazard Mitigation Plan. Mark Lane, Scott Hess, Kim Watson will represent PC on a planning committee

*Outlined a process and made assignments for update of Town Plan

June 15, 2017

Public Forum on the East Montpelier Village Master Plan for first hour

July 6, 2017

Discussed various sections of Town Plan which is undergoing an update

Development Review Board

June 6, 2017

Motions passed:

*to approve application #17-021 of Lucy & Joseph Ferrada to subdivide their 31.6-acre residential property located at 3867 County Road with the condition that the pull-off be located halfway along the driveway

*to grant a large lot waiver to Susan Atwood-Stone after a sketch plan review of the 2-lot subdivision of the 29.3 acre property at 504 County Road

June 27, 2017

Motions passed:

*to approve application #17-022 of Susan Witham to subdivide land of Bradley Witham at 1974 Bliss Road into two lots.

*to approve application #17-027 of Susan Atwood-Stone to subdivide her 29.3 acre residential property located at 504 County Road

*to approve application for variance, #17-030, of Brooke MacDonald and Andrew Morse, on condition that structure to be built at 930 Brazier Road is used only for wood storage and has no sides.

U-32 School Board

May 31, 2017 – special meeting

Motion passed to support the superintendent's recommendation for non-bargaining contracts for the 2017-18 school year providing a 3.5% increase for the administrative team and a 2.4% increase for other members of the unit

June 7, 2017

Motions passed:

*to approve the following appointments: Drew Junkins, 1 FTE high school math; Abigail Brophy, 1 FTE middle school math

*to award the Revenue Anticipation Note bid to Community National Bank for the period of time from 7/3/17 through 6/30/18

*to award the investment bid to Community National Bank at a minimum interest rate of 3.72%

*to approve the negotiated contract for 2017-2019 for teachers

*to transfer \$75,000 from the fund balance to the Capital Fund to repair the fire alarm

June 23, 2017

Went into executive session for a student hearing on a weapons violation

Approved a motion to accept the administration's recommendation on the weapons violation