TOWN OF ELMORE, VTMonthly Select Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes - prepared by C. DeVore

Meeting Date: January 08, 2014 Start Time: 6:35 pm Adjourn: 7:55 pm

Meeting Attendees: Robert Burley - ESB Chairman, Whit Hartt-ESB, Caroline DeVore-ESB

Meeting opened at 6:33p

A. SPECIAL TOPICS: (Items requiring expanded discussion)

- 1. Water System Project:
 - a. State administered reimbursement interruptions are delaying expense repayments. Key ANR personnel unavailable.
 - ANR internal procedures failed to handle transition from State loan to EPA –
 STAG loan. Reconciliation work needed.
 - **c. EPA has confirmed release of \$177K in STAG grant** ANR does not know how to handle this –will meet to unravel.
 - d. Application to extend STAG grant to 1JUL14 approved by EPA.
 - **e.** Certified System Operator needed to comply with ANR rules. Interviews conducted, 1st Roles & Responsibilities Meeting scheduled.

B. NEW ITEMS:

- Discussion RE: Adoption of VT AOT <u>Basic Road & Bridge Standards & Guidelines</u> –
 Won't change what we are doing today. There are tradeoffs between local cost increases and eligibility for higher AOT/FEMA funding levels. SB voted unanimously to adopt the new standards.
- 2. Discussion possible development activity above 1500'MSL on Sterling Ridge
 Action: Will be referred to the Elmore Zoning Administrator: Stuart Weppler. Hartt will work with Stuart on this moving forward.
- 3. Discussion Sharon Fortune inquiry RE: Follow-up to August Roads Meeting SB to formally respond to Sharon's letter.
- 4. Review 2013 Annual Report

Adopted with minor edits.

5. Tentative Review – Proposed FY2015 Town Budget

Reviewed at a high level. SB to evaluate.

C. CONTINUING ACTIVE ITEMS: (Update status, by item, by DRI)

1. Road Commissioner Update - Burley for LaCasse

Road Work Completed:

a. Plow and sand as necessary

Equipment Status

b. New electric motor for air compressor

Employee

- c. All well
- d. Extra help hired for tree clean up on 12/22

Upcoming Issues:

- e. Get state standards approved (done at tonight's SB mtg)
- f. Price quotes for new one ton truck (\$90k) with equipment
- g. Prepare for next ice storm this week
- 2. Elmore Planning Commission Update Hartt

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a. STATUS UPDATE: EPC Meeting RE: Interim zoning edits regarding ex post facto permits.

At last EPC meeting Stuart Weppler attended and addressed creation of new guidelines for zoning code violations. Hartt to distribute new guidelines.

Re: zoning by-law creation as companion to the Town Plan: S. Weppler to consult with EPC to draft new Zoning-ByLaws. SB to allocate funds in the budget to compensate Weppler for consulting time at \$20/hr for up to 100 hrs on project.

LCPC working with EPC to provide review cycles on draft. Evaluating other sources of funding that LCPC can tap to provide services.

3. Digitization of Town Tax Maps – discussion + assign DRI to prepare summary document for Features/Benefits/Costs for Annual Meeting

Caroline to be DRI; will prepare a summary analysis to the SB. Target Feb delivery.

4. November 2013 SB Meeting Minutes Status – Hartt Submitted and approved.

D. COMPLETED/INACTIVE ITEMS:

1. Open Action Item List reviewed by SB.

Meeting Adjourned – 7:55pm.