

Selectboard
February 22, 2021
Remote Meeting Minutes

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Members Virtual: Susan Bartlett, Chair; Dave Gagnier; Roger Audet, Roland Boivin; Brian Shackett
Members Absent: None
Virtual Attendees: Ron Rodjenski, Town Administrator; Danielle Smith, Salvation Farms; Mary Walz, Savannah Droney; Jim Noyes, Lanpher Memorial Library; Road Foreman Mark French; GMATV recorded this meeting for posting on YouTube.

Susan opened the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

1. **PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL HEARING** – Susan welcomed everyone and reviewed each of the Town Meeting articles being voted this year by Australian ballot - concluded 6:22 p.m.
2. **6:25 special meeting began: 2021 paving, 457 Retirement, and personnel.**
3. **Paving 2021** – Contract Amend with J. Hutchins for Village streets & a new bid request for Center Rd, & Sterling View Road – bid recommendation and contract amendment 3-15-2021. The Board confirmed that 2021 paving projects would be considered for the following roads with contract documents and bid results planned to be acted upon at the Selectboard’s March 15 meeting.
4. **FAST Squad** – Dave suggested having EMS move back under the Fire Department with reduced membership on the FAST Squad and Brad Carriere now the Fire Chief. Susan and Roland are meeting with Brad tomorrow night. Roland noted that the FAST squad is always looking for new members.
5. **457 Retirement Plan Agreement** - State of Vermont – Ron reviewed the retirement plan which would be available to regular town employees receiving a weekly paycheck. Motion by Brian to approve the 457 Plan Participation Agreement and authorize Alyson Cusson to be the town’s Client Authorized Representative to sign and process related documents with Prudential Retirement Insurance and Annuity Company and to have all regular town employees eligible to participate. Ron explained that two others should be authorized to have limited access to Prudential Seconded by Roger. Voting: 5 in favor, 0 against, motion passed.
6. **Highway Personnel Matter** – Motion by Brian to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters, inviting the Town Administrator. Seconded by Roger. So voted. Virtual attendees were dismissed from the meeting. The Board resumed in open session.
7. **Adjourn** – Motion by Brian to adjourn, seconded by Roger. So voted at 7:15 p.m.