TOWN OF CRAFTSBURY
REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 6, 2025
7PM | CRAFTSBURY TOWN HALL

Present: Alison Blaney, Jim Jones, Bruce Urie | (TOWN CLERK) Michelle Warren, James LaRock (ONLINE), Matt & Judy Mannix, Steve Perkins (TOWN HIGHWAY)

Meeting Agenda

Jim called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

- **Action – Adjustments / Changes to Agenda**

  None.

- **Action – Approve Select Board Regular Meeting Minutes of December 18 and Budget Meeting Minutes of December 30, 2024.**

  Alison motioned to approve the:

  - **Regular meeting minutes; Bruce seconded. All ayed. Motion passed.**
  - **December 30 Special Budget Meeting; Bruce seconded. All ayed. Motion passed.**

- **Discussion – VT Route 14 Slow Down Sign Request | Karen Lapoint**

  Alison to contact Derby Garage. State signage required – state road.

- **FEMA Update – Bruce**

  Christmas and other holiday delays; catching up on contacts. Will follow up.

- **Clerk Report**

  - Balance check book; preparing accounts for audit
  - Town Meeting Planning (signatures for candidates); consider report cover and dedication content
  - Budget (meeting set: Thursday, January 16, at 9:30 am) Budget and Town Report considerations; committees and the CCCC audit totals

- **Road Foreman Report**

  - Truck quote received (automatics): $97,400 (for body) truck quotes range from $164,381 – $178,511; either Mac or Volvo; awaiting quote from International. Area towns using a variety; not many Volvos used. Backups on truck materials ($280K for a truck); will need to go on a warning
  - Eric Polk: annual meeting last year (FY payment money for town) at least $150K potential for Craftsbury; may grow. Needs specific locations for work spots and pave spots (bare pavement; doing from end of Common to top of hill; from bridge to Bistro) application will be written by Eric; get quotes for purchasing procedures; roads and mileage lists (pictures and quotes); February
  - Better Roads Grant – by FY27, must have town-wide road erosion inventory; almost done. Town was awarded $7536 (toward plan); must be spent by 10/31/2027

- **Upcoming Projects to Keep on Agenda**
    - CCCC Audit Totals
    - Select Board Committee Meetings
    - Unclaimed Parcels
    - Triggers for Opening the Emergency Shelter, Providing Assistance, Activating N2N
- **Public Comment**

  None.
- **Other Business & Walk-ins With Business to Come Before the Select Board**

  Craftsbury Common residents Matt & Judy Mannix voiced two concerns: parking situation on Church Road and speed of vehicles driving through the Common. Select Board suggested contacting Craftsbury Academy re: school parking; they have already discussed with principal McCarthy. She has been helpful; buses no longer parking there. Regarding the speed: been coming to the Common close to seven years; now here permanently. Nothing has changed. Cars and trucks at 40-50 mph. Two schools there; understand lots of efforts to get speed under control. Lots seem to be going to the Outdoor Center (how about getting it involved with helping?). Not prepared to discuss but will put a plan together and contact Town Clerk for follow up.
- **Decide Next Meeting Date & Adjourn**

  Next meeting: Wednesday, January 22, 2025. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Victoria Hudson
Select Board Clerk