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Mt. Vernon Selectman's Minutes

Date: 08-03-2020

Members Present: Mac Hardy(Chair), Paul Crockett, Sherene Gilman

Members Absent:

Present: Kerry Casey, June Caldwell

Signed Warrant.

1. Call to order: 7:00 pm
2. Additions/adjustments to the Agenda:
3. Action/Discussion/Informational Items

Open Regular Meeting and Accept Minutes from 07/20/2020

Motion by Crockett seconded by Gilman

Motion passed: unanimous

RSU38 Update

Hardy discussed and presented an update letter from Alexander Wright, local School Board Representative. The Selectboard reviewed the letter.

Municipal Goals Discussion

Hardy presented the Selectboard a list of goals from the departments. Hardy asked the Selectboard on the goals put together by Wright. Sherene discussed the possible goal of revamping the webpage and also including having a municipal Facebook page. Crockett discussed having all the committees sharing their committee minutes with the website and other department heads. Gilman made the point to increase communication and an ongoing goal. Hardy mentioned Wright was working on the Land Use Ordinances. Hardy continued by going through some goals: have a department/committee head meeting with the Selectboard and get the transfer station committee organized. Hardy asked Gilman to work with the budget committee to get organized, Crockett to focus on the buildings and phones. Hardy mentioned he's going to work with Wright to develop the Website and Facebook. Hardy asked Casey her goals, she mentioned working on inhouse purchases and a bidding and purchasing policy. Hardy mentioned he discussed with Wright about some policy's Wright would like to propose. Casey also mentioned she would like to have an article for the newsletter. Gilman

proposed a one-time printing of an informational type to the residents of Mt Vernon. Hardy asked Casey, streamlines budget reporting, Casey highlighted exporting to excel.

Motion by Crockett seconded by Gilman to move Agenda items 5 and 6 and take up by before adjournment.

Motion passed: unanimous

Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(A)

Motion by Hardy seconded by Gilman pursuant to 1 MRSA 405(6)(A)

Motion passed: unanimous

No Action Taken

Executive Session pursuant to 22 M.R.S.A. § 4306

Not Action Taken

Other Business

Casey presented to the Selectboard a letter from the former Clerk, Racheal Meader.

June Caldwell discussed reopening the Community Center, for a baby shower. Mentioning further the divide of the Community Center Trustees' opinion. Caldwell's argument is COVID will continue for a long time and we need to learn how to live with the virus. Hardy mentioned his biggest concern would be a liability. Crockett mentioned he agrees that we have to learn how to live with COVID. Gilman mentioned her concern over the cleaning of the building by the people renting it. Casey mentioned it would be prudent for a Community Center Trustee should be there to overseeing cleaning. Gilman mentioned we would be setting new precedence moving forward. Caldwell said she is working on a new rental agreement and an addendum for a waiver of liability. Hardy mentioned he will call MMA on liability issues.

Motion by Crockett, to have June Caldwell to put together a new rental agreement, along with Hardy researching with MMA.

Motion passed: unanimous

Hardy presented an All-State Paving Quote to the Selectboard for pricing of the Bean and Plains rd. Gilman mentioned her concern over having to pay back FEMA and reserve the money in that event. Casey mentioned it would be prudent to use current years' budget to repay. Gilman understood but mentioned we need to meet with Lee and discuss it. Hardy, mentioned he will talk to Lee.

Motion by Crockett seconded by Gilman to appoint the following persons to their committees

Motion passed unanimously

Appointment:

Patricia Jackson to Appeals Board

Tyler Dunn to Budget Committee

Carol Fuller to Transfer station committee

Crockett discussed upgrading the phone system to fix the dropping calls. Crockett mentioned upgrading the router may solve the problem. Money coming from municipal supplies. The equipment is order and coming later this week.

Hardy mentioned the Waste Management contract signing the new contract with them. Crockett mentioned he thought he signed the contract but wasn't sure.

Trust Funds, Casey found the Trust funds documentation, outlining the amount of money left in the accounts. Casey discussed each other funds and their purposes, continuing that most of the requirements of paying the income.

Motion by Crockett seconded Hardy to approve the Treasurer disbursement warrant policy
Motion passed: unanimous

Crockett mentioned there is a white mini coupe with a black roof that has dropped their trash and the Mt Vernon public beach.

Crockett mentioned being able to help to clean up the town office and clean out the basement.

4. Adjournment: 8:57 pm

Motion to adjourn by Gilman seconded by Crockett
Motion passed: unanimous