

Town of Mount Vernon
Select Board Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2018

The next meeting will be held on March 5, 2018

Present: Paul Crockett, Clyde Dyar, Patricia Jackson, Marti Gross, Andy Dube, Bob Grenier, Tom Ward, Katie Farrin, Linda Stanton, June Caldwell, Jane Rogers, Jo Tibby, Ben Lauder, Peter Oullette, Ron Lockwood, Amanda Couture

6:30pm **Signed Warrant.**

7:00pm Open Regular Selectmen's Meeting- Crockett called meeting to order.

7:00pm **Open TV Broadcast.**

7:00pm **Approved minutes.** Dyar motioned to approve minutes of the 2/5/18 meeting. Jackson seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor.

7:01pm **Meet with Community Center Board members re: projects there.** The Board asked the Community Center and Beach Committee to communicate on the proposed gazebo project. Crockett explained that there has also been discussion about making the community center the designated emergency shelter for the town.

Ward asked about the 30% expansion ordinance and if a portion of the expansion percentage be used and then the rest be taken at another time. Dube answered that it could. Ward stated there are some issues with the Community Center basement and if the building is going to be a shelter there are some items in the basement that should be elevated so they do not flood. It also does not have proper ventilation because the windows are boarded up. Caldwell offered the services of her husband to do an assessment. There was further discussion about ways to improve the basement.

Stanton stated she has received emails from individuals asking if we have ascertained whether the people who use the beach would like this improvement and where the money will come from. She asked the Board if the Community Center would be responsible for the upkeep budget of the proposed gazebo since it is on Community Center property. Dyar stated he does not think the Community Center trustees should be tasked with the upkeep of the gazebo, it should be added under the Beach budget. There was further discussion about expansion of the Community Center, and about the septic needing upgrading to support the increased use.

Ward suggested having a few informational hearings with citizens to help get the word out and assist with getting financial contributions. Jackson stated families that participated in the Beach program were very enthusiastic about there being a place for the children to change.

There was a discussion about the portable generator. Crockett will talk with Steve Mallin (sp?) about installing a switches at the Community Center and Town Office so the generator can be plugged in at either building.

Ward stated he does not feel using showers at the fire station during an emergency would be a good idea. He added that whatever decisions are made, it seems like the most need is due to ice storms and the committees should model what changes they make with that in mind.

The Community Center trustees stated they would like the gazebo project and the Community Center work to be done as one project. Farrin asked about the timeline. There was discussion about whether it would go in this budget or the next budget.

The Community Center is currently installing an infant changing table in the restroom there.

7:25pm **Contract signing: Casco Bay Elevator (library)**. Peter Ouellette, Casco Bay Elevator, is here with the contract to be signed for the Library expansion project. Oullette stated that given the expected use they could set up a bi-annual inspection and the state also sends an inspector. Crockett asked that Oullette give the Library Trustees an estimate on how much the yearly maintenance will cost

Dyar motioned to have Chair sign on behalf of the Board. Jackson seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor.

7:33pm **Review Gilman Trust and maybe others.**

Clough Trust was left to improve roads. ~ \$14k

Weiss account is for the Fire Department for uniforms. ~ \$110k

The Dr. Gilman fund is for the worthy poor. ~ \$82k

The Philbrick Fund is for the Arts. ~ \$174k

There is also a Gilman fund for the library. ~ \$11k

The Cemetery Trust is for capital improvement for the cemetery. ~ \$27k

The Lincoln-Walton is for dividends to defray taxes. ~ ??

Dyar stated there will be a request for about \$208 for the Gilman Fund tonight.

7:44pm **Review off-road plow contract and ready it for sending to bid.** The Board has looked the contract over. They need to make sure the number of dry hydrants is still the same and if there is a map that goes along with it. The Board also needs to research the Performance Bond and take a look at how it is written in the contract. Dyar explained to the other Board members. The Board will send the contract out to bid and have it be due by March 19, 2018 at 7pm.

7:40pm **Other business.**

-Renewal of **liquor license** for Five Seasons. Dyar motioned to approve renewal of the liquor license. Jackson seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor.

-**Athletic Committee**- Jesse Jacobs is stepping down and the Board is looking for a replacement for him as well as other Athletic Committee members. The Board considered ways to recruit new members. Crockett suggested hanging a posting at the school, transfer station, Stores, and in newsletter.

-**Aging in Place Committee.** The Board talked about creating a new Aging in Place Committee as a byproduct of the comprehensive planning discussions. They would like to become an official town

committee. There are currently nine individuals on the committee. The committee members will be staggered at three and five year appointments.

-Dunn mentioned he got more sand because so much had to be used this winter. He also stated they have posted the roads.

-there was discussion about the brush pile at the **transfer station**. Crockett stated he will reach out to Craig Marshall. There was discussion about putting the returnables under cover so they stop freezing and breaking. There is about \$1000 Dyar stated he currently has to turn in from returning the bottles.

8:00pm **Executive session for poverty abatement**. Motioned to enter executive session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A § (405)(6)(f). Crockett seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor.

Dyar motioned exit session. Crockett seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor. No action was taken.

Dyar motioned to take 280 out of the Dr. Gilman Trust fund for a client for help. Crockett seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor.

8:11pm **Adjourn**. Dyar motioned to adjourn. Crockett seconded. Vote 3-0 in favor.