

# Wolcott Selectboard Meeting Minutes December 19, 2018

All Minutes are draft until approved by the Selectboard.  
Please see future Minutes for approval of these Minutes.

Present: Eric Furs, Jennifer Holton-Clapp, Richard Lee  
Absent: Kimberly Gravel, Michael Davidson  
Town Employees: Linda Martin  
Guests: Alexa Repko, Meghan Rodier  
Public: Jim Robert, Kurt Klein, Bill Cotten  
Reporter: Doug McClure, *Hardwick Gazette*

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Eric called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

### **Amendments to the Agenda:**

The CAI Technologies presentation of GIS mapping was postponed since not all Selectboard members could be present.

New Business will be moved up to Item #3 in the Agenda to allow for Linda Martin's input prior to her having to leave for the evening.

Health care options - Linda discussed possible options for her family health care plan as a Town employee. Motion by Richard to accept the option for Medicare Part B and BCBS Supplemental for Linda and her spouse. Seconded by Eric. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed. This option results in a savings to the Town of \$11,482.56.

### **New Business:**

**Agreement for New Signage:** The Selectboard had previously agreed to new signs for roads in Wolcott and North Wolcott as part of a safe roads grant through the State of Vermont. The Board had been working with Rob Moore, Regional Transportation Planner with Lamoille County Planning Commission (LCPC). Motion by Eric to officially sign the agreement. Seconded by Jenn. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

**Loan Document - Temporary Bridge:** At the December 5, 2018 meeting, the Selectboard accepted a loan proposal from Union Bank to cover the costs of installation of the temporary bridge on School Street and for engineering fees. Motion by Eric to sign the loan document. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed. The document is dated December 14, 2018 and will mature December 14, 2023. It has a fixed interest rate of 3.06 which will result in annual payments of \$33,316.38.

**Audit Representation Letter:** The firm that conducted the Town audit requires that the Selectboard submit to them a letter stating the Town provided them all of the information they needed in order to conduct the audit. Once the letter is received, the audit will be sent to the Town. Motion by Eric to sign and send the letter. Seconded by Jenn. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

**Review & Sign Orders:** Done.

**Application for North Wolcott Village Designation:** Jim Robert, Chair of the Wolcott Planning Commission, discussed with the Selectboard a report created with the help of the LCPC that would designate North Wolcott as a Village Center. Meghan Rodier, Regional Planner with LCPC, provided an overview of the potential benefits if the North Wolcott store wished to make improvements. Jim asked the Board to sign and submit the application. There are no costs associated with submitting the application, and no restrictions are placed on the Village. The Village of Wolcott has been designated a Village Center, so this application is basically expanding that designation. Motion by Eric to sign and submit the application by January. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed. Alexa Repko was introduced as a new Assistant Planner with LCPC.

**Comments from the Community:** On behalf of the Junk Ordinance Committee, Kurt indicated his willingness to be appointed as an issuing officer for citations that would go through the Judicial Bureau. Kurt was thanked for volunteering.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Eric to approve the Minutes of the December 5, 2018 Selectboard meeting as written. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

**Pinnacle Lane Public Hearing:** Motion by Eric to open the Public Hearing and reschedule the site visit for May 1, 2019, then close the hearing. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed. The site visit can take place once the snow is gone.

#### **Old Business:**

**Lamoille County Conservation request:** Jenn had made an inquiry about how the Town might be able to utilize a membership. There was no response. She will follow up.

**Tax Sale Property - Ed Ledoux:** The Board will continue seeking the assistance of an attorney to handle an eviction.

**Planning Commission Member:** The Planning Commission is still seeking a member; preferably an individual who lives in the Village.

#### **Review Correspondence:**

**LCSD - November Report:** Received.

**VLCT News:** Received.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Motion by Eric to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m. Seconded by Richard. Voting: 3 in favor, 0 opposed.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah Klein

*The next Selectboard Meeting is scheduled for January 2, 2019*