

# Wolcott Selectboard Meeting Minutes September 2, 2020

Wolcott Town Office/Phone-in: 6:00 p.m.

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Present: Kim Gravel, Mike Davidson, Linda Martin, Kurt Klein  
Absent: Richard Lee  
Employees: Dillan Cafferky, Lucien Gravel, Belinda Harris Clegg, Deb Klein  
Public: Randall Szott, Leonard Percy

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Kim called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Highway Department:** An offer has been received to purchase the excavator that was replaced with a new one. Steps will be taken to complete the sale. An additional offer has been received. No ad will run. Dillan discussed with the board maintenance that is needed on the plow.

**Executive Session:** Kim stated that two resumes have been received for the open position of Town Administrator. Motion by Mike to enter executive session on a personnel matter. Seconded by Linda. Voting: All 4 in favor. The board entered executive session with Randall Szott present. Motion by Linda to close executive session. Seconded by Kurt. Voting: All 4 in favor. The board came out of executive session at 6:38 p.m. Motion by Kurt for the Town to offer Randall Szott the position of Town Administrator to work 24-28 hours per week at a rate of \$25 per hour beginning on, or around, October 1, 2020. Seconded by Mike. Voting: All 4 in favor. Randall accepted the position. The board will plan a “meet and greet” with Randall at the September 16 meeting.

**Amendments to the Agenda:** None.

**Approve Minutes of August 19, 2020:** Motion by Linda to approve the Minutes of August 19, 2020 as written. Seconded by Kurt. Voting: All 4 in favor.

**Comments from the Community:** None.

**New Business:**

**Tax payment plan requests:**

The board heard from a property owner of two parcels, Fred’s New & Used store on Vt Rt 15 in the Village, and the other on Morey Hill Road. The owner requested to enter into a payment plan on back taxes owed on the two parcels. The matter was discussed. Motion by Kurt to enter into a written agreement with the property owners to pay \$300 per month towards back taxes on both parcels for the months of September, October, November, and December. Starting in January, monthly payments will increase to \$500 per month for the remainder of the year. The property owner agrees to clean up all items outside the property on Vt Rt 15 by October 1, 2020. Seconded by Linda. Voting: 3 in favor, 1 opposed. Motion carried.

The board received a request from the property owner at 781 Brook Road to enter into an agreement to make payments on back taxes owed. The matter was discussed. Motion by Mike

to allow the property owner at 781 Brook Road to make payments of \$100 per month until back taxes are paid. Seconded by Kurt. Voting: All 4 in favor.

The board received a request from the property owner at 776 Jones Lane to enter into an agreement to make payments on back taxes owed. The matter was discussed. Motion by Kurt to allow the property owner at 776 Jones Lane to make payments of \$100 per month for one year. Seconded by Linda. Voting: All 4 in favor.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Repairs to Fire Station:** The Town is working with a potential repair person who may be able to do the work in late October.

**Eviction proceeding - property on East Hill Road:** The court may be able to hear the matter later this month.

**Transfer Station - update:** The attendant's assistant is going back to school, so this will be his last weekend on the job. The position will be advertised. Further changes at the Transfer Station will be discussed at the September 16 meeting.

**Town Hall:** A revised Town Hall rental form was agreed upon by the board. The handicap parking sign will be reposted in front of the building where it was originally.

**Highway Access Policy - proposed:** Kurt suggested that four different policies the Town has currently be incorporated into one, to be reviewed by Vermont League of Cities and Towns. A proposed policy will be presented at the September 16 meeting.

**Correspondence:**

The Town received from the Vermont Department of Labor a quarterly report regarding unemployment claims.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Mike to adjourn. Seconded by Linda. Voting: All 4 in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah Klein

*Next regularly scheduled meeting - September 16, 2020*