

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
TOWN OF RYEGATE
PO BOX 332
RYEGATE, VERMONT 05042

SELECT BOARD MINUTES
MAY 22, 2023
Town Office & Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Chairman Andrew Smith. Other members present: Regina Hazel and Darryl Perkins. Also present: Cheryl Slayton, Nelson Elder, David Punt, Jeffrey Haslett, and Elizabeth Page. Via Zoom: Carl Bayer

Minutes of May 8, 2023 were reviewed. Regina moved to approve the minutes as printed, Darryl seconded the motion and it carried.

Public Comment and Possible Additions to Agenda:

* Regina asked to add Zoning Administrator Vacancy. Darryl moved to accept the one addition, Andy seconded the motion and it carried.

Treasurer's Report: The Board reviewed bills and signed orders. Cheryl asked about the bill for trucking waste blocks to contain sand pile. The Board said that it should be an unfunded line item labeled sandpile.

Road Report: Bruce Boyce has had knee surgery and will be out of work for several weeks. Larry is on vacation this week. Nelson talked to Chief Bogie about stockpiling winter sand at the S. Ryegate Pit. The Board advised Nelson to place the waste block on the Town's property to contain the sandpile. Sand will be hauled in as time permits. The Hwy crew has been grading and applying chloride to the dirt roads. The roadside mower will be available the first week in June. Ryegate purchased ½ ownership of the roadside mower with the Town of Danville. The roadsides will be mowed several times throughout the summer. Bid Opening for paving a section of Peacham/Groton Rd and Stone Rd will be at the June 12th meeting.

*Addition to Agenda: William Elder presented his resignation at the Planning & Zoning meeting May 15th and he will send it to the Select Board. The vacancy will then be posted, the Board will then appoint someone to fill the vacancy.

FOR ACTION:

Vermont State Police Contract was resigned.

The Board signed the NEK-Broadband Agreement Fiscal Recovery Investment and the Town Office Change in Tech. Support Letter.

The Class 4 Roads and Trails policy was reviewed, the Board will make a few changes and revisit the policy at an upcoming meeting.

FOR INFORMATION:

MERP Program Update & Use of Mini-Grant:

Regina is preparing for the application process and gathering data for the Large MERP Grant. The Board discussed the Mini-Grant and what it can be used for.

Solar Siting Standards Amendment to Town Plan-Public Hearing will be June 12th at the regular Select Board Meeting. Allison Lowe from NVDA will be at the meeting. The Board answered several questions about the upcoming meeting.

There being no further business, Regina moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:34PM, Darryl seconded the motion and it carried.

Elizabeth Page, Clerk for the Board