



TOWN OF TOWNSHEND

Selectboard

PO Box 121 Townshend, Vermont 05353

Selectboard Meeting Agenda

January 25, 2022 6:00 PM

Townshend Town Hall
and Zoom Virtual Meeting if possible

Approved: 2/8/2022

Present: Sherwood Lake, Allison Dercoli, Rob Wright, Haley Felker, Steve Frisk

In Attendance: Galen Robinson - BCTV, Connie Holt

Members of the Public: Helen Holt

1. **Meeting Call to Order:** Lake calls the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Wright makes a motion to approve the January 11, 2022 Selectboard meeting minutes . Frisk seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0.

Wright makes a motion to approve the January 19, 2022 Special Selectboard meeting minutes. Frisk seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0.

3. **Additions and Deletions:**

- 9.1 Liquor License approval
- 9.2 Town Annual Report
- 5.1 Email from Eliza Martin
- 5.2 Letter from Vern Stanley

4. **Members of the Public:** None

5. **Correspondence:**

1. Email from Eliza Martin: Lake reports that we will delete this from the agenda as the issue has been resolved.
2. Letter from Vern Stanley: Lake reads a thank you letter from Vern Stanley to the Highway crew for their help in plowing out his driveway in order for the oil truck to get in.

6. **Warrants:** Wright makes a motion to approve warrants 1-9. Frisk seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0

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| 1. Payroll: | \$11,600.44 |
| 2. Payroll: | \$280.40 |
| 3. Payroll Taxes: | \$5, 377.82 |

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5. General Fund:	\$4772.75
6. General Fund:	\$132.19
7. Highway:	\$18,229.49
8. Highway:	\$21.30
9. Highway Equipment:	\$4,911.33
Total Warrants:	\$45,413.57

7. Reports:

1. Highway:

a. Two trucks are currently down. The 2015 International went down due to death issue after treatment which put it in limp mode. It was towed to DJ's. The second truck is the 2018 RAM with a transmission electrical issue. It was towed to Summit Dodge. Both should be back by the end of the week. Just in time for the Saturday storm.

b. State Highway Mileage Certificate: Frisk reports that the numbers on the certificate are the same as last year because there has been no change to the roads. Wright makes a motion to adopt the mileage report as written. Dercoli seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0.

2. Treasurer: Lake reports on the balances in the Town's accounts:

Municipal Investment Fund:	\$602,293.13
Checking Account:	\$30,000.00

3. Town Clerk: Lake reports that the Town Clerk Report is in the Selectboard's packet.

4. Chair: Lake report's that the Town Clerk has informed him that two Selectboard members who are up for election will not be running for re-election. Therefore, there will be two vacant positions up for re-election. Lake then clarifies that while there are three Selectboard positions up for election this year, he is running running for re-election. Therefore, there will be two vacant positions because the current Selectboard holding those positions are not seeking re-election.

8. Old Business:

1. Approve the Town Annual Meeting Warning: Lake reads the Warning aloud and requests a motion. Felker makes a motion to accept the Town Warning and allow it to be posted. Frisk seconds the motion.

Wrights asks why there is an article giving money to the VT Bar Foundation. Lake answers that it is a new social services appropriation and that is why they separated it out from the other social services appropriations. They want to get an answer from the town and not have it effect the other appropriations. Felker asks who is SeVEDS? Lake answers that they are a social and economic development organization. Wrights asks why there is \$10,000.00 being requested for speed signs. He states that we already voted that down. Lake responds that the planning Commision is moving this. They have the authority to put an article up for vote. Dercoli asks why we are seeking \$20,000.00 for law enforcement when the Sheriffs Dept. declined a contract with Townshend. Lake replies that they declined last year, but we do not yet know about this year. Dercoli clarifies that we are seeking approval from the residents just in case

the Sheriff's department can do law enforcement this year. Felker asks who will be present at the informational meeting to answer questions about the Back Windham Road stone arch bridge. Lake says probably Charlie Merchant or another representative from the Townshend Historical Society. Dercoli asks if the Library is still under the umbrella of the Town and Lake responds, yes.
Motion carries 5-0-0.

9. **New Business:**

1. Approve Liquor License: Dercoli makes a motion to grant the 2nd Class Liquor License to Harmonyville Store. Frisk seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0.

2. Town Annual Report: Lake points out that the Town Annual Report draft is in the Selectboard packets for their review.

10. **Executive Session:** N/A

11. **Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting:** Tuesday, February 8, 2022

12. **Adjournment:** Frisk makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Felker seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0. The meeting is adjourned at 6:26pm.