

Poultney Board of Selectmen
Meeting
Monday, July 1, 2019 – 6:30 pm
Poultney High School Library
Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 6/17/19
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns
- 4) Road Report
- 5) Town Manager's Report
 - Bridge Work on Route 140
 - Letters of interest re: Planning Commission/DRB, Animal Control Officer
 - Poultney Public Safety Committee: Letter of Interest
 - Slate Quarry Park
 - Road detour signage
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business
- 7) Executive Session
- 8) Health Officer's Report
- 9) Rutland Regional Planning Commission
- 10) Board Orders
- 11) Adjourn

Meeting Minutes
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Jeff King called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Jeff King, Terry Williams, Tom Coloutti, George Miller, and Carol Bunce. Others present included Paul A. Donaldson, Town Manager, Ron Kelley, Highway Foreman, Aaron Kerber, Dale Kerber, and other members of the public (see sign-in sheet).

Adoption of the Agenda: Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the agenda. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: George Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of 6-17-19. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Public Comments and Concerns:

- Discussion regarding the bridge work on Vermont Route 140. Currently scheduled for full closure starting 7-24-19, and continuing for 28 days, until August 20, 2019. Many people questioned the logic of not having a temporary bridge. Questions related to the fire department and rescue squad. Aaron Kerber stated that Middletown Springs and Castleton will be responding to any fire, accidents, etc. on that side of the bridge. The Rescue Squad has nobody available to respond. Discussion on placing updates on the town's website, and in the Lakes Region Free Press as to progress on the bridge work. Discussion as to providing garbage service while the bridge work is being done. The board agreed to provide a truck to collect just garbage in yellow bags somewhere in the Hampshire Hollow area on Saturdays between 8AM and 11AM while the bridge is closed.

Road Report:

Ron Kelley reported that he needs to finish a Grants-In-Aid project by the end of July on Highland Grey Road, stone lining ditches. He has a meeting with FEMA to discuss road damages. The crew continues to prepare for the road detour.

Donaldson stated that the board needs to sign a Letter of Intent to participate in the 2020 Grants-In-Aid program. Discussion followed. Tom Coloutti made a motion to permit Jeff King to sign the Letter of Intent. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Donaldson stated he was concerned with the work the crew was doing, that vacations might be taken right when we need the crew the most. Discussion followed. Tom Coloutti made a motion to allow the highway crew to extend the deadline to use earned and unused vacation days from fiscal year 2019 until October 31, 2019, or allow the crew to get paid for any unused

vacation for that period prior to October 31, 2019. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Town Managers Report: Paul Donaldson reported the following:

- He has received an interest from Mark Stackpole to assist as Animal Control Officer. Terry Williams made a motion to appoint Mr. Stackpole the Animal Control Officer. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.
- There are two people interested in joining the Planning Commission. And one person also wants to join the DRB. Discussion followed. Donaldson to invite these people to the next Selectboard Meeting to discuss further.
- There have been two people that expressed interest in joining the Public Safety Committee. Discussion followed. Terry Williams made a motion to follow the course of action previously recommended by the committee and not have any further committee since the board wanted at least five people to assist with that task, and there was not enough new interest in joining the committee. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.
- The farmer's market wishes to use the slate quarry park property on July 4 for its market. Discussion followed. Tom Coloutti made a motion to approve the request. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Transact any Other Lawful Business: Aaron Kerber stated that the fire department budget would be over by about \$5,200 because of some major truck repairs.

Donaldson inquired of Dale Kerber on whether the decals were ever put on the police cruiser. They have not been added. Discussion followed. Dale will get "ghost" decals put on the cruiser.

Donaldson stated he needs to coordinate with the Sheriff's Office for coverage on July 4, 2019.

Health Officer: None.

Rutland Regional Planning Commission: Terry Williams stated he was unable to attend the TAC RRPC meeting on June 27, 2019.

Executive Session: None.

Board Orders:

Tom Coloutti made a motion to pay board orders. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

George Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Coloutti seconded the Motion.
Motion carried with all in favor.

s/Paul Donaldson