

Poultney Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting
Wednesday, February 23, 2022 – 4:30 pm
Poultney Town Hall

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 2-14-2022
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns (limit of 15 minutes):
- 4) Road Report
- 5) Town Manager's Report
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Selectboard Business
- 7) Executive Session: Personnel Matters
- 8) Health Officer's Report
- 9) Rutland Regional Planning Commission
- 10) Board Orders
- 11) Adjourn

Special Meeting Minutes

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Jeff King called the meeting to order at 5:00PM. Selectmen present included: Jeff King, Terry Williams, Carol Bunce, Sheryl Porrier and Richard LaPierre. Others present included Paul A. Donaldson, David Cooper, Mary Sue Reed, and Judy Leech.

Adoption of the Agenda: Terry Williams made a motion to adopt the agenda. Richard LaPierre seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Approval of Minutes: Carol Bunce made a motion to approve the minutes of 2/14/2022 with the correction of some grammatical errors. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

Public Comments and Concerns:

Attorney David Cooper was present. He represents the developer of the former VEMAS property. He pointed out to the board his concerns that Neal Vreeland is on the Planning Commission and also the lead opponent in the litigation concerning his client's application for a Dollar General store location. He believes Neal should not be making any recommendations that would affect the zoning for that location. Paul Donaldson stated that the Planning Commission is working on interim zoning bylaws which will primarily deal with the former GMC campus.

Mary Sue Reed inquired about the scoping study of the Route 31 bridge, and the town's contribution. Paul Donaldson stated it would be 10% of the \$190,000 budget.

Road Report: Paul Donaldson reported the following:

- the crew continues to plow, sand and salt as needed
- the crew has been dealing with frozen culverts and road washouts in different areas

Town Managers Report:

-Discussion on next inspection for Route 31 bridge. Paul Donaldson will inquire with the State.

Discussion of use of ARPA funds.

Discussion on Thrall Road bridge schedule, which is supposed to start this year, and finish in 2023.

Discussion on Selectboard Stipends proposed increase which has been the same since 1984, while other towns' stipends are significantly larger.

The board set the next Public Hearing on the proposed Town Plan for March 21, at 6:00PM.
Transact any Other Lawful Selectboard Business: Terry Williams stated he was working on updates to the LEMP. Discussion on the ice jams at the Poultney River. He is monitoring the FEMA GO to see status of the trestle bridge study grant application.

Health Officer: None.

Rutland Regional Planning Commission: None.

Executive Session: None

Board Orders: Terry Williams made a motion to pay board orders. Richard LaPierre seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Sheryl Porrier made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carol Bunce seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

s/Paul A. Donaldson