

# MINUTES FROM 10/25/2016 SELECTBOARD MEETING

PRESENT: Chairman, Tyler Gotshall, Alton Brusco, Robert Creller, Lee Kimball via phone, Chuck Pease, Clerk, Donna L. Bohannon

GUESTS: Bill Kaplan (Wind generators), Tinker Palmer, Carol Behrman, Terry Tatro, Bing Pero

7PM - OPEN MEETING:

- Called to order at 7:00 by Chairman, Tyler Gotshall
  
- ADJUST THE AGENDA (if needed):
  - Two additions to the agenda needed
    - #1 – Phone for Animal Control Officer
    - #2 – Two site visits next week
      - Site visit #1 – Streetscape engineers on Monday
      - Site visit #2 – VWSD to Missile Base on Tuesday
  
- NEW BUSINESS:
  - Bill Kaplan – Wind Generators at Missile Base?
    - Tinker Palmer spoke with Bill about the possibility of installing small wind turbines at the Missile Base.
    - Bill explained what his business is and would like to know if the Selectboard is interested in perusing the idea of wind turbines.
    - Each turbine rests on a 10'x10' concrete pad
    - The most that they can install in one area is 6 if space allows.
    - Each unit would yield a \$2,000 per year lease payment.
    - Power from the units would feed into VEC power tables.
    - Bill would like to talk with VWSD about their project to be sure that they don't conflict.
    - Selectboard is interested in exploring this option.
    - Clerk to send Bill Kaplan's contact information to VWSD.
    - Tabled until further notice.
  
  - Municipipay (credit card machine) for payments?
    - Village will be signing up with Municipipay to take credit card payments for bills.
    - The Town can use the same billing program and start accepting credit card payments.
    - Discussion will continue at the end of the meeting.
    - (Discussion that took place at the end) –

- There was discussion about the cost to the Town for this service.
- There is not a cost to the Town after startup costs.
- The startup cost for the card reader is \$80. The Village will be purchasing the card reader.
- *Tyler Gotshall motioned to start using Municipay and to split the startup cost with the Village – seconded by Lee Kimball – all in favor – motion carried.*
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- Blue Cross Blue Shield – 2017 rates
  - New rates for current plan are \$6737.12 per month if all the coverage remains the same. This includes three Highway employees, two of which include their spouse and one that is a family plan, one Office employee and spouse and one Village employee.
  - The Village pays 80% of the employee’s benefits, the employee pays 20%.
  - The new rates will be in effect beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - There was minimal discussion about other providers.
  - Tabled until the next regular meeting currently scheduled for 11/22/2016.
- VISITOR INPUT:
  - Adjustment #1 -Cell phone for ACO –
    - There was discussion about adding the ACO to the existing plan or purchasing a tracphone that minutes could be added to as needed.
    - There was also discussion about allotting a certain amount of money to the ACO for the use of her personal cell phone which would eliminate the need for two phones.
    - Tabled until the special meeting currently scheduled for 11/17/2016.
- TABLED TOPICS AND / OR WAITING RESULTS
  - Alburgh Streetscape Project – State Highway access permit
    - *Bobby Creller motioned that Chairman Tyler Gotshall sign the Highway Access Permit – seconded by Chuck Pease – all in favor – motion carried – Permit signed by Chairman Gotshall*
- OLD BUSINESS / UPDATES
  - Animal Control Ordinance review
    - Tabled until 11/17/2016 – Special meeting will be scheduled to begin at 6:30PM
  - Interviews for Sidewalk plow employee scheduled for 11/15/2016 to begin at 6:00PM

- Transfer Station trailer – progress?
  - Trailer is not finished.
  - One piston cannot be rebuilt –
  - Most of the containers are full
  - Drummac is no longer hauling for Alburgh
  - Drummac may be willing to rent a trailer to the Town
  - Bill needs registration paperwork to inspect the trailer – Bing will bring the paperwork to Bill
  - Alton will talk to Doug Medor about renting his trailer and will inform the rest of the Board after.
  - Tyler will get prices from Bill Gett for the piston repairs/replacement.
  - Tabled until more information is gathered.
- APPROVE THE FOLLOWING MEETING MINUTES:
  - 10/25/2016 SELECTBOARD MEETING
    - *Bobby Creller motioned to approve the minutes from the 10/25/2016 Selectboard meeting – seconded by Chuck Pease – all in favor – motion carried*
  - 10/28/2016 ANIMAL CONTROL MEETING
    - *Alton Brusco motioned to approve the minutes from the 10/28/2016 Special Selectboard Animal Control meeting as written – seconded by Chuck Pease – all in favor – motion carried.*
- APPROVE INVOICES AND / OR OVERWEIGHT PERMITS:
  - No overweight permits
  - All invoices approved and signed
- ADJOURN:
  - *At 9:07PM Alton Brusco to adjourn – seconded by Bobby Creller – all in favor – motion carried – meeting adjourned.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna L. Bohannon  
Alburgh Town Clerk

Please note the above minutes HAVE NOT been approved. Approval or changes to the minutes will be addressed at the next regular meeting, currently scheduled for 11/22/2016.