

Town of Eden
71 Old Schoolhouse Rd
Eden Mills, VT 05653

April 12, 2022 Selectboard Meeting

The Eden Selectboard met at the Town Office on April 12, 2022. Present: Ricky Morin, Clayton Whittemore, Tim Bullard, Candace Vear, Beth Spaulding, Freeda Powers. Also present: Tom and Joanne Ring (for LERA Spring Lottery), Leslie White (Resident/Town Auditor). Joining by phone: Gabe Bolin (Stone Environmental).

1. Open Meeting: Ricky opened the meeting at 6:00pm.
2. Spring LERA Lottery: The Board welcomed Tom & Joanne Ring to the meeting for the spring lottery. Candace opened the envelope and read the applicant's selection of site #5. The Board had no objection. The Board explained when they can move their camper in, LERA's opening date and answered any questions the Rings had.
The Board received a request from a seasonal camper for a refund or credit of their \$500 deposit for the 2022 season as they have had to withdraw their Seasonal Campsite Application, signed at the Fall Lottery. The Board responded that per the Lottery Rules and Agreement, specifically pg.2, #10, the deposit is non-refundable. Freeda will draft a response letter as such.
3. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda:
Deleted: #4 will be rescheduled
Under #12) Bid documents for review
Under #13c.) LERA Facebook Page request
Under #14a) Kelley-View Farm, Inc., EC Morrison Trucking & Excavating
Under #16d.) EYSC Letter of Interest for open seat
Under #16e.) EPC Letter of resignation
Under #16f.) Robert & Sons Lawn Care 2022 quote
Under #17b.) Energy Consult offer
4. Sick Time (ct'd): This item has been deleted from tonight's agenda; to be rescheduled.
5. Citizens Input: The Board received a letter from a CT resident about their experience of getting stuck in the mud on Crooks Road several weeks ago. The letter acknowledged the kindness and care shown to them in their time of need by both residents and highway department employees.

Leslie offered the Board an update on her research on the Camp Road in preparation for surveying to take place. Ricky will connect Leslie with surveyor Matt Reed for next steps.

6. Sign orders: Seven (7) orders were reviewed and signed.

7. The Board reviewed the minutes of 3/22. Tim made a motion to approve as written, the minutes of the 3/22/22 meeting. Clayton seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0.

8. Liquor License: The Board reviewed liquor licenses for the two local stores. Tim made a motion to approve and sign the liquor license for the Eden General Store in the name of the current owner and for the Eden Mini Mart in the name of the new owner. Clayton seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0. Both licenses were approved and signed.

9. 2022 Local Emergency Management Plan (LEMP): The Board reviewed updates to the annual LEMP. Clayton made a motion to sign the 2022 Eden Local Emergency Management Plan with updates. Tim seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0. Freeda will send the signed document to the LCPC as required.

10. 2022 Appropriations: The Board reviewed two appropriations that were missed in the requests put before voters at Town Meeting Day. The Board agreed to authorize the payment of these appropriation requests. Tim made a motion to authorize payment of appropriation requests as follows: \$100 to VT Assoc. for the Blind & Visually impaired and \$800 to Central VT Council on Aging. Clayton seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0.

11. Grants: The Lake Eden Association was not awarded the LCBP grant this year. These funds are typically used towards the Greeter Program to keep invasive aquatic species out of Lake Eden. The LEA is requesting the Selectboard consider authorizing town funds to support the program this year. The Board recognized the importance of the program and appreciate the work done annually to keep the lake healthy and clear of invasive species. The Board recommended that the LEA inquire on the possibility of accessing other funds such as the G1 holdings funds dedicated by the ANR to Lake Eden adjacent projects. The Board also extended an invitation to LEA president Art Curcillo to join a Selectboard meeting, when he is available, to further discuss.

12. FEMA: The Board reviewed documents provided by Stone Environmental. Documents reviewed included clearance summary and revised design plans for Paronto Rd. and bid documents for both Paronto Road and Blakeville Road BR13 projects. The Board called Gabe Bolin of Stone Environmental to discuss, ask and answer questions and finalize the bid documents. Bids will go out by April 18th, required pre-bid site visits will take place on April 22nd and bids will be due May 8th.

13. Beach Update:

a.) Water system start-up is scheduled for May 2nd-3rd with Plumbing Solutions.

b.) Lifeguard J. Cutler will be returning this year. The Board authorized Freeda to advertise for a second lifeguard.

14. Road Commissioner's Report:

a.) Excess Weight Permits: Ricky made a motion to approve excess weight permits for the following: Lily Transportation Corp., AmeriGas Propane LLC., Beacon Sales Acquisition, G.W. Tatro Construction, Inc., Wind River Environmental, LLC, Fred's Plumbing & Heating, Fred's Propane, Desrochers Bulk Service, Vaillancourt Transportation, Kelley-View Farm, Inc. and EC Morrison Trucking & Excavating. Tim seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0. Approved and signed.

b.) Driveway Access Permit: The Board reviewed a driveway access permit for property located on North Road. After careful review, Ricky made a motion to deny the Driveway Access Permit for the property on North Road. Clayton seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0. The property, less than 1 acre in size, has an existing driveway. The Board denied the application for this reason, requesting a letter be sent to the applicant explaining the State AOT guidelines and regulations regarding single access to property parcels.

c.) Traffic Counts: The Board received notice from LCPC that now is the time to put requests in for traffic and speed data counts. The Board offered no location recommendations at this time for Eden.

d.) Highway Dept. Update: Ricky reports that the Highway Department has received an offer to purchase stockpiled steel h-beams. The Board authorized the sale of the beams at a cost that recoups the town's expense.

15. Ratify Additions and Deletions of 3/22/22:

Under #12a:

- xi. Fred Vance/Fred Vance Trucking, LLC.
- xii. Ernest P. Krusch
- xiii. Suburban Propane
- xiv. S.D. Ireland
- xv. Dale E. Percy, Inc.
- xvi. Camp Precast Concrete Products, Inc.

Ricky made the motion to ratify the additions and deletions from the 3/22/22 meeting as listed in #15. Tim seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0.

16. Other Business:

a.) LFCUD: An Eden Rep & Alternate are needed to take seats on the Lamoille FiberNet Communications Union District. Freeda will work with Val Davis of LFCUD to seek qualified candidates from Eden.

b.) Eden Planning Commission: The EPC will hold a Zoom meeting on 4/14/22.

c.) Health Officer: The Board received a written report from the THO reflecting his activities in the month of March. No actionable items reported.

d.) EYSC: The Board received a letter of interest from Eden resident Nicholas Tetreault for the Eden Youth Sports Committee. Ricky made the motion to appoint Nicholas Tetreault to the Eden Youth Sports Committee. Tim seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0. Freeda will notify Nicholas of the appointment.

e.) EPC: The Board received a letter of resignation from the Eden Planning Commission from Keren Ferrari. The Board acknowledged and accepted the resignation, asking Freeda to draft a letter thanking Keren for her time and dedication on the EPC.

f.) Robert & Sons Lawn Care 2022 quote: The Board received a quote from Robert & Sons Lawn Care for 2022. The Board discussed the Town's satisfaction with the work done by R&S in the past and found their quote reasonable. Tim made a motion to approve the seasonal rate of \$700 for Robert & Sons Lawn Care at the Eden Town Office for 2022. Clayton seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0.

17. FYI:

a.) GMTCC is seeking a qualified Electrical Instructor. Please spread the word.

b.) The Board received an Energy Consult offer from VLCT and Efficiency VT.

18. Adjourn: Ricky made a motion to adjourn. Clayton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.

Minutes Approved as written on 4/26/22 by Ricky Morin, Clayton Whittemore, Tim Bullard.

Freeda Powers, Town Administrative Assistant