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SELECTBOARD Meeting Agenda

April 8, 2025

Present were Tim Bullard, Clayton Whittemore, Ricky Morin, Melissa Whitcomb, Leslie White, Kristina Brown, Katelyn Locke, Erin Niles, Hannah Speer, Julie Gates and Trevor Bidwell.

1. Tim opened the meeting at 6:03pm.
2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda: None
3. Citizens Input: Erin Niles spoke up to voice her continuing concerns related to the Eden Youth Sports Committee and the fairness of the treatment of the kids and the purchase of uniforms. Erin is filing a formal complaint regarding a violation of the Open Meeting Law and the selectboard will have 10 days to respond. Tim explained that the way the committee had been operating with regards to having bylaws instead of a policy, as well as making their own financial decisions has not been done correctly. This has been since the sports committee was established and now that we have the proper information, the new policy reflects the correction. The bylaws that were previously written and approved by the committee members have been abandoned and replaced by the policy written by the Selectboard and reviewed by the town attorney. Eden Youth Sports Committee will need to follow this policy moving forward. The Selectboard will now be in charge of approving all financial decisions. If a Facebook page is allowed in the future, it will be informational only and additional contacts will be available on the Eden Town website at edenvt.org. The Selectboard will be drafting a social media policy to determine what will be acceptable. Interviews with those interested in serving on the committee that are not available at tonight's meeting will be scheduled soon.
4. Eden Youth Sports
 - a) Kristina Brown; Discussion regarding fundraising & summer camp. Kristina introduced Katelyn Locke from Waterville. Katelyn presented to the board a fundraising idea to cover the cost of the proposal. She is involved in youth sports as many of the small towns in the area do not have enough kids for teams. Katelyn is proposing a summer Lamoille County soccer camp in July to be held at the Eden ball fields, one week for kids in grades 3 & 4 and one week for kids in grades 5 & 6. Katelyn is asking for permission from the selectboard as the Eden Youth Sports Committee is currently in flux pending the appointment of the 5-member committee. Tim motioned to allow Katelyn Locke to run the camp under the umbrella of the Eden Youth Sports Committee that will take effect when the 5 members of the committee are officially appointed. Ricky seconded. Motion passed.
 - b) Policy Update. The policy was reviewed again after some changes. Ricky made the motion to adopt the new Eden Youth Sports Committee policy as written. Clayton seconded. Adopted.
5. All Hook n Service Contract Review: The contract drafted by the town attorney was reviewed. Trevor proposes to set up at the Town Garage on Sundays from 10 am to 2 pm and will accept both trash and recycling by the bag. The service will start on Sunday, May 11th. Ricky motioned to sign the agreement with All Hook n Service. Tim seconded. Contract was signed.
6. Beach Update: None

7. Health Officer Update: None
8. Animal Control Update: We received a complaint about a couple of dogs that was brought to Matt Hill attention who will deal with it.
9. Signed four orders
10. Town appointment correction. Appoint David Whitcomb as the Supervisor for the LRSWMD for a 2-year term ending March 2027. Ricky motioned to appoint David Whitcomb. Tim seconded. Approved.
11. Minutes: Review minutes of 3/25/25. Clayton motioned to approve the minutes as written. Ricky seconded. Minutes approved.
12. Highway Dept.:
 - a) Overweight Permits: Ethan Morrison, Grimes Inc, Endless Tracks LLC, Huntington Homes, Iron Box LLC, New England Quality Service Inc., Vaillancourt. Ricky motioned to approve all overweight permit in compliance to town specifications. Clayton seconded. Approved.
 - b) Other. A culvert on Blakeville Road as well as some additional locations are showing signs of failure and will be replaced this summer. The Western Star Truck is down waiting for some parts at the cost of approximately \$2,800.00. Some additional repairs will need to be addressed by the dealer.
13. Ratify Additions and Deletions: None
14. Grant Update/Discussion:
 - a) Milfoil/Lake Grants. Colleen Brennan has expressed a desire to play a larger part in the grant process. The board agreed but we will ask Ron Rodjenski to supply a final review.
 - b) Other: Both the milfoil and the greeter program grants have reimbursed to the town. The final payment of the funds originally connected with G-1 Holdings, the former owner of the asbestos mine, has been paid to the town totaling \$122,200. The funds paid for work on Griggs Road and part of the Boy Scout Camp Road box culvert. Ricky questioned how the Griggs Road MRGP expenses were accounted for in highway funds. There was discussion on brush hogging and also sandblasting a truck body.
15. Town Clerk's Office Addition: The board is still reviewing and revising the plans.
16. Other Business:
 - a) Camp Road Survey Meeting. The board plans to meet with Camp Road residents and will do a site visit if needed at another time. A letter will be sent to all the Camp Road residents informing them of the date & time.
 - b) Green Up Day. The board is looking for a receptacle for Green Up Day as Sweets can no longer supply a roll-off box. Green Up Day is May 4th and the dumpster will be at the Town Garage this year. Ricky motioned to approve All Hook n Service for the Green Up Day dumpster. Clayton seconded. Approved.
 - c) Other
17. FYI: T-Mobile Petition/Certificate of Public Good
18. Adjourn. Ricky motioned to adjourn at 8:27 pm. Tim seconded. Meeting adjourned.