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SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 27th, 2025 @ 6pm

Present at the meeting were Tim Bullard, Ricky Morin, Melissa Whitcomb, Molly Morin, Julie Gates, Scott Brooks, Steve Cottrell, Kristina Brown, Dan Lathrop, Hannah Speer, Carey Earle.

1. Tim opened the meeting at 6pm.
2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda: None
3. Citizens Input: None
4. Planning Commission Update: Alec was unable to make it to the meeting. Alec primarily updated the dates and made some deletions to the Town Plan. The selectboard did find some concerns that they would like looked at before agreeing to these chapters. Will touch base with Alec about those concerns and address them at the next meeting.
5. Fidium: Scott Brooks and Seven Cottrell were here to discuss the issues with the new lines that are being laid in the road right-of-way. Ricky is concerned about when they are maintaining the roads about the damage that could be caused due to the lines being buried too shallow. If they are working in the road right-of-way, they do need a permit before they can do the work. Steve is going to work on getting the concerns fixed to town specifications.
6. Eden Youth Sports: Members from the committee were present to ask some questions that had come up. They would like to reword the policy so that it is a little clearer on who gets to come to Eden to play. The policy will be reviewed at the next meeting. If they do the soccer camp under EYSC it will be cover by the insurance. If they run the soccer camp through EYSC Eden kids would need to come first as long as they sign up in the window. They would also like to move the dirt that is down by the fields but unsure of where to put it. Ricky mentioned they could put it behind the old bathrooms in the tree line so that it is right next to the fields when it is needed.
7. Beach Update: They were having issues with the internet but a camper has put an extender into his camper which is seeming to help the issue. Tim will look into getting a new extender for the beach that will be at a lower cost then the price we were given. The internet is not included in the rental of a seasonal site but they are permitted to use what is available at this time. The handyman gave a quote but Leslie has agreed to help fix the shelter. Pam let them know that there is an issue with a seasonal camper that has removed an approved camper from their site.
8. Health Officer Update: No reports to give to them yet but have had a couple of dog bites that Faye is dealing with and will get a report for us.
9. Animal Control Update: Done with the Health officer update
10. Signed four (4) Orders
11. Minutes: Review minutes of 5/13/2025 (2). Will wait until 6/10/25 when Clayton is here.
12. Highway Dept.:
 - a. Permits: Ricky motioned to approve overweight permit to town specs for Countryside Septic, Tim seconded, approved.
 - b. Survey Update: Still looking to get the markers for Camp Road. Will reach out to the company to see if we can cut the ones we found. Molly will continue to look to see if we can find anything different.
 - c. Other- The 2012 freightliner is still down at Charlebois but is hoping to have it back this week. The crushing will start late this week or early next week at Harvey's. The sweeper will be coming on June 9th. Will be getting all the invoices together for the 2024 Western Star to see what the total was for getting it fixed.
13. Ratify Additions and Deletions: None
14. Grant Update/Discussion:

- a. Other: We did not receive the North Road ditch and culvert grant. Molly is still working on getting prices for the office efficiency grant.
15. Other Business:
- a. Julie Gates emailed with interest in becoming an auditor. Ricky motioned to appoint Julie until the next Town Meeting. Tim Seconded. Motion approved.
 - b. Two new policies have been proposed. One for returned checks and one for social media. Tim had some changes he would like to the social media policy. Will wait until Clayton is here to approve them.
 - c. Discussion on Office Accounting/Procedures: Melissa would like to make some changes in the time off calendar so that it is from July 1st to June 30th to align with the budget and fiscal year. She is also still working on getting the accounting straightened out and is seeking guidance from the Selectboard for the liability account that was overspent a few years ago and has been in the negative. Will make the final decisions when Clayton is here.
16. Office Addition: Ricky is still working on getting prices for the foundation.
17. FYI: Someone from the insurance company will be coming around to do reappraisals for the structures. Will reach out to us prior to them coming to make sure somebody is available. The Vermont Electrical Coop will be using drones to check their lines.
18. Adjourn: Tim motioned to adjourn at 7:58pm. Ricky seconded the motion, adjourned.