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Mt. Vernon Selectman’s Minutes
Date: 10-28-2019

Members Present: Trish Jackson, Paul Crockett (Chair), Clyde Dyar

Members Absent:

Present: Alexander Wright, Ron Lockwood, Mark Gilbert, Victor & Moreen Breschia, and Kerry Casey

1. Signed Warrant.
2. Call to order: 7:01 pm
3. Additions/adjustments to the Agenda:
4. Action/Discussion/Informational Items

Open Regular Meeting and Accept Minutes from 10/14/19

Motion to accept by Dyar seconded by Jackson
Motion passed: unanimous

South Taylor Rd, Discussion

Crockett spoke to the landowners who were having this particular issue over the phone.

Municipal Valuation Return

Crockett pointed out the lower evaluation. Dyar mentioned that when you send this into the state, the state uses the information to formulate the town’s evaluation.

Motion to accept by Dyar seconded by Jackson
Motion passed: unanimous

Security Cameras, discussion
Dyar mentioned we got a quote from Johnson and Jordon for security cameras along with Seacoast Security. Crockett requested to add a budget note for the budget discussion later. Dyar also mentioned having inmates from the local jail to do some work for the town. Casey clarified about Diversify drafting, the Selectboard said the rest of the money owed would be paid at the end of the project.

Other Business

Crockett talked to Ben Lower about the color of the roof and they agreed on a green metal roof. He will also move the ramp to the side door. Dyar mentioned swapping the front door with the side door. Also about adding a mail slot.

Moreen Breschia also mentioned their neighbor across the street who may or may not operate a junkyard has not done anything to shade the junk from public view. Crockett suggested they talk to the CEO.

Breschia talked about a Drone problem from her neighbors, who’s drone ventures into their property. This has occurred a couple of times. Crockett wanted the minutes to reflect that they will bring this situation to the Ordinance Review Committee to look at creating an ordinance.

Crockett talked about the Life Flight report, he said he will send to rescue and the fire department.

Reminder on November 5th is voting a day for some state referendum questions and a Comprehensive Plan is also on the ballot. Please vote and can be viewed on the website.

Dyar mentioned a culvert on the Belgrade Rd, behind the fire station, he met with MDOT and would like to partner with us, 50/50 cost share. Andy Dube is looking into drawing up some plans for the culvert. Dyar is waiting for the quote. The Project wouldn’t start until 2020-2021. Similar design of the North Rd culvert to let fish swim upstream. Crockett asked why the state is not doing the engineering part for the project? Dyar said we will be able to control the project with our engineering design instead of theirs.

Blake Hill bridge project, the state will come in before veterans day to fix the bridge. Dyar talked to the state and when the bridge will need to be replaced they will not replace the bridge. Dyar talked to Mac Hardy about possibly doing a culvert instead of a bridge to continue the road and working with the state. Dyar thinking it might be a 15ft diameter culvert.
Keith Kline, from Camp Loural, talked to the Selectboard about moving the 35-speed sign to the end of Camp Loural for safety reasons. Crockett said he has reached out to the state, waiting to hear back.

Dyar along with Jackson proposed working on the trail system for the Town of Mt Vernon. Having college students or other means to blaze trails for the town.

Dyar mentioned having Wright be on the Economic Development Committee. Jackson mentioned also adding a woman on the Economic Development Committee.

Crockett asked Wright to talk about the RSU38 funding formula, Wright mentioned he brought this to be discussed by the board. However, we needed a full board, currently, there are two vacancies on Manchester one at Readfield. Crockett mentioned that the discussion is necessary or the other option is to leave the district. Wright mentioned is still on the docket to discuss and when there is a full board it will be discussed. Crockett wanted the minutes to reflect that this is a discussion the select boards want to happen.

**Motion** to adjourn by Crockett seconded by Jackson

**Motion** passed: unanimous

5. **Adjournment:** 7:45 pm