

TOWN OF CASTLETON SELECT BOARD MINUTES
Monday, February 21, 2022 7:15 p.m.
Castleton Fire Station Community Room 273 Route 30N, Bomoseen
In-Person & Zoom Virtual Public Meeting

Zoom Meeting Recording Link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/OQxDv0MJVjCz1sLTdcXqIU5835ocsQhz0T6B>

PRESENT: Jim Leamy, Chair; Michael Holden, Robert Spaulding, Richard Combs, Vice Chair, Pete Mantello, Brent Clark
Attending via Zoom: None

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Select Board Chair, Jim Leamy at 7:44 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Leamy.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Holden made motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Holden made a motion to approve the minutes of February 14, 2022 as presented. Mr. Spaulding seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS & CONCERNS - ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None at this time.

WEIGHT LIMIT POSTING FOR ROADS

Board reviewed proposed postings of roads. **Mr. Holden made a motion to approve the list of posting weights for roads as presented, to be effective Jan 1 – May 15th. Mr. Spaulding seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passes 4-0**

POLICE UPDATE

Chief Mantello quickly reviewed his report, things are about average, has been pretty normal. Review of new system and reporting. Party control, a recent burglary in town.

LIQUOR LICENSE APPROVAL: Jiffy Mart #454 & Tenneybrook, Midway Oil, Second Class Licenses

Mr. Leamy stated the Police Chief has checked on both establishments, there have been no problems reported with them.

Mr. Holden made a motion to approve Jiffy Mart #454 and Tenneybrook, Midway Oil for Second Class License renewal; Mr. Spaulding seconded. Mr. Combs stated Global Montello group is d/b/a Jiffy Mart #454. All voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

MAILBOX DAMAGE POLICY

Mr. Fouracre stated the board had a draft of the mailbox policy for review. Has come about in response to a few complaints that have been received. Two so far this season, possibly a third. Noticed no policy, in event a truck takes any out while plowing. Made a quick change of distance from non curbed road to mailbox, 4 ft in from shoulder. Is not a response to an issue, is a preventative policy. **Mr. Holden made a motion to accept the policy as presented. Mr. Spaulding seconded** Mr. Combs asked if heard correctly that something will be added about them being 4ft from the road. Mr. Jones stated it was for

streets with no curb. Further discussion on the plows and areas it is a problem. Mr. Jones stated will post on social media and town web page. But also have to keep in mind the US Postal service regulations as well. **Three voted in favor of motion, Mr. Combs voted no. Motion carries 3-0**

PURCHASE ORDERS FOR APPROVAL

None at this time.

WARRANTS FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Combs made a motion to approve check warrant #0221R in the amount of \$650.00, check warrant #0221 in the amount of \$109,598.60, check warrant #0217 in the amount of \$30,097.14, check warrant #0217R in the amount of \$16,438.25. Mr. Holden seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Holden made a motion to approve check warrant #0218P in the amount \$634.28. Mr. Spaulding seconded the motion. Mr. Combs recused himself. All remaining members voted in favor. Motion carried 3-0.

SELECT BOARD COMMENTS & CONCERNS:

Mr. Holden inquire about the mask mandate, he had briefly discussed with Mr. Jones whether the mandate should be lifted. Mr. Jones recommended the mandate be rescinded as Emergency Management Director. **Mr. Holden made a motion to rescind the mask mandate, effective 2/22/2022. Mr. Spaulding seconded. All voted in favor. Motion carries 4-0**

BRIEF RECAP & ITEMS FOR FOLLOW UP:

Mr. Jones stated he talked with Laura next door about the power, etc., and she is going to pass on his information to get a return call.

8:10pm ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mr. Spaulding made a motion to enter executive session to discuss real estate to include the Town Manager. Mr. Combs seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

8:17pm EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Holden made a motion to exit executive session with no action taken. Mr. Spaulding seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

8:17pm-ADJOURN

Mr. Holden made a motion to adjourn at p.m. Mr. Combs seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried 4-0. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Allison Harvey
Recording Secretary