

**TOWN OF CASTLETON
SELECT BOARD MINUTES
Wednesday, May 27, 2020
Zoom Web Meeting**

PRESENT: Jim Leamy, Chair; Richard Combs, Vice Chair; Zack Holzworth, Secretary; Robert Spaulding, Member; Joseph Mark, Select Board Parliamentarian; Michael Jones, Town Manager; Peter Mantello, Police Chief.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Leamy at 7pm.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Leamy led the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Spaulding made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Holzworth seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL: 4/27/2020

Mr. Spaulding made a motion to approve the Select Board minutes of 4/27/20 with corrections. Mr. Holzworth seconded the motion.

The following corrections were noted;

- Page 1 South is spelled "suth"
- Page 2 Correct spelling of "Pizzaria" to Pizzeria
- Page 3 \$3,674.92 instead of \$3.674.92
- Page 5 Yards is spelled "yardm"

Mr. Leamy called the question with the corrections. All were in favor and the motion passed.

CITIZENS COMMENTS & CONCERNS

None

POLICE UPDATE: CHIEF MANTELLO

Increase in foot directed patrols Also spending time doing welfare checks on college students. There have been 3 death investigations in the last month which is unusual. Arrests are low. Chief will be putting the 2013 Taurus up for sale. Mr. Holzworth asked about the legality of fireworks in town. They are illegal in Vermont without a permit. You can buy them, but you cannot use them without a permit.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Pete Giese wants to address the Select Board.

Mr. Holzworth made a motion to invite MHG Solar to an upcoming Select Board meeting to discuss solar projects. Mr. Spaulding Seconded the motion. All in favor. The motion passed

Fourth of July Committee wants to postpone fireworks until 8/28/2020 (Friday). There will be no parade.

We are actively looking for a Recording Secretary.

SELECT BOARD COMMENTS

Mr. Spaulding stated that two of three lights are out on the Town Office sign.

Mr. Spaulding also wanted to know what the cost was to dump a ton of trash? The answer is \$203.00.

Mr. Leamy states that he wants the Transfer Station to be cost neutral and suggests that every "living unit" buy a permit and eliminate the day pass.

Mr. Combs talks about the Community Development & Economic Recovery Advisory Committee:

- The business inventory is getting underway.
- Sub Committee is created for marketing the Town.
- Working on SWOT analysis.

WARRANTS FOR APPROVAL

Mr. Combs made a motion to approve check warrant #0525 for \$26,629.80, check warrant #0521 for \$5,580.56, check warrant #0514 for \$40,488.50, check warrant #0521P for \$15,101.76, check warrant #0514P for \$14,038.97. Mr. Holzworth seconded the motion. All were in favor, and the motion passed.

Mr. Spaulding made a motion to approve check warrants #0522P and #0515P. Mr. Combs recused himself from the vote. Those remaining were in favor and the motion passed.

BRIEF RECAP & ITEMS FOR FOLLOW UP

Mike Jones will follow up on the fixing of the lights. Also noted the solar light for the flagpole is not working.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Mr. Holzworth made a motion to adjourn the Select Board Meeting at 7:49pm. Mr. Spaulding seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Stewart