



Town of Livermore Falls



Select Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 21, 2021
Livermore Falls Town Office
6:30 PM

BOARD: Jeff Bryant, Ernie Souther, Rodney Heikkinen, Jim Long, Will Kenniston

DEPARTMENT HEADS/EMPLOYEES: Amy Byron, Amanda Allen, Billy Nichols

RESIDENTS/PUBLIC: (see sign in sheet)

1. Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC HEARING – General Assistance Ordinance
Appendices A-H

There were no questions/comments.

Jeff made the motion to adopt the new Appendices; Second by Ernie.
VOTE: 5 -0

2. Approval of Minutes: September 7, 2021

- a. Several corrections are needed: #1, #3, #9
- b. Jeff made the motion to table approval of minutes until corrected; Second by William. VOTE: 5-0

3. New Business

- a. Avesta Housing – Pedestrian Concerns
 - i. Amanda introduced Jen Rivera, a resident at Avesta. Ms. Rivera stated she had concerns regarding lack of parking and appropriate pedestrian crossings. She has talked with MDOT and AVCOG and told the Board the



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crosswalks are not ADA compliant. She noted MDOT plans to install a flashing beacon but not until construction is completed in 2023.

- ii. Bill Nichols stated Depot Street is a State Road and all maintenance is done by MDOT. He also noted there is no parking ordinance but noted cars cannot be left on the street during the winter months.
- iii. There was much discussion regarding a 2005 AVCOG speed study, parking and enforcement by Law Enforcement.

b. Fire Department Discussion

- i. Amanda told the Board Jay was willing to discuss an agreement between the Towns and wished to form a committee. She asked for two Selectmen to serve on the Committee. Jim and Jeff volunteered.

c. Business Recruitment

- i. Ernie presented ideas regarding recruiting business to Town. His ideas included tax incentives and the formation of a Panel that would include the Town Manager, a Select Board Member, a Business Owner and a Citizen.
- ii. After some discussion, the Panel will include 2 Select Board Members, (Jim and Ernie) a Business Owner (TBD) and a Citizen (TBD).

d. Treasurer's Warrant

- i. Amanda presented information and a policy regarding the need for one signature on payroll warrants. The policy was reviewed by the Board.
- ii. Jeff made the motion to approve the policy; Second by Ernie. VOTE: 5-0

4. Old Business

a. Medical Marijuana Ordinance

- i. Amanda introduced Tiger (Leslie) Hewitt, who then introduced Kraig and Nick. The three presented the Board with a business plan to cultivate Adult Use Marijuana at Mr. Hewitt's Bridge Street property. They reviewed investment in the property and potential revenue



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estimates for the Town as well as jobs created if the project is approved.

- ii. The three asked if Adult Use Cultivation could be added to the proposed Ordinance to go before the voters in November. Both Amy and Amanda reviewed State Law and timelines in regard to getting items on the ballot. The deadline has passed and it would need to be considered at a later date.
- iii. Ernie made the motion to consider Adult Use Cultivation and directed the Planning Board to take up this initiative at their next meeting; Second by William. VOTE: 5-0
- iv. Since the Planning Board member that drafted the ordinance was not in attendance, Jeff made the motion to table discussion; Second by Ernie. VOTE: 5-0

5. Warrants/Abatements/Deeds/Quit Claim

- a. Warrants were reviewed and signed

6. Board Discussion/Department Head Discussion

BOARD

- a. Jim: Nothing
- b. Will: Nothing
- c. Rodney: Nothing
- d. Ernie: Moose Hill Road traffic concern in regarding to Power Corridor Project. Jim noted there was double parking in the road way for extended periods of time. Bill will check it out.
- e. Jeff: Nothing.

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- f. Bill told the Board the paving will begin the third week of October. (6 weeks behind schedule)

7. Manager's Discussion

Nothing

8. Executive Session: MRS Title 1, Chap. 13 § 405 § (6) Labor Negotiations



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- a. 8:12 PM Jeff made the motion to enter Executive Session;
Second by Will. VOTE: 5-0
- b. 8:22 PM Jeff made the motion to exit Executive Session;
Second by Ernie. VOTE: 5-0
- c. 8:23 PM Action: Jeff made the motion to accept the Union
Negotiation Offer; Second by Ernie. VOTE: 5-0

9. Adjourn

- a. 8:25 PM
 - i. Jeff made the motion to adjourn; Second by Ernie.
VOTE: 5-0

*Respectfully submitted,
Amy L. Byron, Town Clerk*