



**Selectboard Meeting Minutes**  
**Final**  
**Town of Fairlee Town Hall**  
**Monday, February 20, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Lance Mills, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

**PRESENT**

**Selectboard Members:** Lance Mills, Chair; Peter Berger, Vice Chair; Miranda Clemson  
A quorum was met.

**Town Administrator:** Ryan Lockwood

**Town Clerk:** Georgette Wolf-Ludwig

**Minutes Taker:** Patty Tompkins

**Visitors in person:** Charlotte Williams - Library Trustee, Jen Johnson

**Visitors on ZOOM:** Bob Wertheimer, Joseph Donahue, Diane Church, Library Trustee

**AGENDA APPROVAL AND MODIFICATIONS**

*Add Executive Session for Personnel Reasons*

**MOTION:** Peter Berger/Miranda Clemson moved/seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC AND STAFF COMMENTS/REPORTS**

**Zoning Administrator's Report**

The Selectboard reviewed Brimmer's report.

**Town Administrator's Report**

Lockwood reviewed his report and gave updates on the following:

- The kitchen floor renovation
- Alum treatment meetings
- Stormwater Project with VTrans
- Highway grant monies release by the State
- Paving planned for Lake Morey East and West near the golf course
- Electric Vehicle Charger conversation with Bob Wertheimer

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Library Grant Opportunity Discussion**

Charlotte Williams, Jen Johnson and Diane Church were present to discuss two grant opportunities by the State of Vermont, Department of Libraries.

The library trustees agree that the existing building is structurally unsound.

#### **I. COVID Relief Money from the Treasury Department**

There is \$16.4M available. A library may receive between \$300K to \$1.4M if awarded.

The grant may be used for Internet access for public use, private spaces for telehealth and community spaces such as a covered porch. It may also be used for building repairs and upgrades. The application deadline is due 3/12/24.

The trustees would like to apply for this grant.

#### **II. HUD Money**

There is \$10M available to rural libraries. Only one library per county in the state of Vermont will be awarded. Applications for this grant will open in the Fall of 2024.

The Department of Libraries will oversee both grants. They do not anticipate awarding a library more than one grant from both sources. Strategic discussions followed.

### **Vermont Recovery Housing Program**

Tabled for now.

### **Preparing for 2/24 Special Meeting**

Discussed.

### **Preparing for 3/05 Town Meeting**

Georgette Wolf-Ludwig reviewed the logistics and happenings of the upcoming day.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Lake Morey Traffic Measures**

Awaiting information from Rita Seto with Two Rivers. She will be attending the Highway Federal Administration meeting.

### **Solid Waste Disposal and Burning Ordinance Discussion and Edits**

The Selectboard reviewed and edited the "Salvage Yards" section.

### **Short Term Rental Ordinance Petition Discussion**

No discussion.

## **Microsoft Teams Updates**

Continued conversations with All-Access on SharePoint site.

## **ORDERS & CORRESPONDENCE**

Completed.

## **APPROVAL of February 12, 2024, Draft Minutes**

**MOTION:** Peter Berger /Miranda Clemson moved/seconded the motion to approve the minutes from 02-12-24 as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

## **ACTION ITEMS/ASSIGNMENTS/AGENDA**

- Mills: Send a support letter for the bike path.  
Berger: Draft letter to VTrans for the Stormwater project.  
All: Continue on the review of the Solid Waste Ordinance.  
Ensure that the Sidewalk Project reaches completion.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION:** Peter Berger /Miranda Clemson moved/seconded the motion to open the Executive Session for personnel reasons. The motion passed unanimously.

Opened: 7:59 PM

**MOTION:** Peter Berger /Miranda Clemson moved/seconded the motion to come out of the Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously.

Came out: 8:19 PM

**No action taken.**

**NEXT SELECTBOARD MEETING: Monday, February 26, 2024.**

## **ADJOURN**

**MOTION:** Peter Berger /Miranda Clemson moved/seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Attest: Patty Tompkins, Minutes Taker