

West Windsor Selectboard
Draft Minutes
April 5, 2017

Present: Dick Beatty, Brett Myers, Glenn & Shelley Seward, Martha Harrison, Tom Kenyon,

- 1) Call to Order – Selectboard Chair Dick Beatty called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
- 2) Changes or Additions to agenda – Town Officers Education Conference
- 3) Public Comment – None
- 4) Discuss stormwater permit requirements for road to Ascutney Outdoors (AO) handicapped parking area and Water System booster pump building – Glenn said he met with Chris Tomberg from the state stormwater division to review the projects that Ascutney Outdoors is planning and Chris said there would have to be a new stormwater permit for the new driveway and handicapped parking area because it would create a new impervious surface. While they were looking at the site, Chris said the access to the new booster pump building would also have to have a stormwater permit. Glenn said he did not inquire about any other permits that may be required for the town's water system access. Glenn noted that AO is going to be dealing with permit issues for their various projects all summer at a significant cost. Glenn asked the Selectboard if they would like AO's engineers to include the town's portion of the project in their design and stormwater application or if they would like to have Aldrich + Elliott work on the town's portion. Dick said since we're talking about one continuous driveway, it would make sense to share the cost of the technical work needed to get approval from the stormwater division. Glenn said AO is working with Engineering Ventures (EV) in Lebanon, NH. Dick noted that DRB Chair Shannon Harrington, who works for Engineering Ventures, is going to have to recuse herself from the DRB hearing next Tuesday when the DRB considers the Town and AO's joint application for excavation and grading of an area just east of the Base Lodge. Glenn offered to contact EV and ask them to provide a proposal for the work from the property line to the pump station. The Selectboard agreed that Glenn should contact EV, with Dick noting that it doesn't make sense to have two engineers working on the same project. Glenn asked if he should ask EV to include the road up to the reservoir. Dick said he thinks it should be included although it's not going to be much of a road. Dick said Dennis Brown is supposed to be able to take readings from the booster pump building. Martha noted that Dennis will still need to go up to the treatment building at Reservoir #1 when we're chlorinating. Dick noted the new municipal roads general permit and said permitting is getting out of hand in Vermont. Glenn agreed and said the permit process has become so complex that a lay person has no chance of doing it and has to hire consultants at considerable cost. Dick asked if AO will be getting an Act 250 permit. Glenn said yes; AO is submitting one application for four projects: the event area, where the excavation and grading is proposed; the new AO Center; the tubing lift area; and changes to the recreational trails. Dick asked if the loss of parking spaces in the Recreation Infrastructure Area has to be approved by the Upper Valley Land Trust (UVLT). Glenn said he and Win have talked about that and don't think it's necessary. Glenn said it's clear that the use of the parking area is not included in the lease and has to be separately negotiated between AO and the Town. Glenn added that there may need to be an easement. Dick suggested that Glenn talk with Ted Siegler about whether the loss of parking spaces is an issue with regard to the conservation easement. Glenn said he spoke with Jason Berard from

UVLT early on, and Ted weighed in, and it appears that it will be okay but we should be sure before we put a shovel in the ground.

- 5) Other Business – VT Statewide property parcel mapping project & program: Dick said he found out about this program at the T.O.E.C. conference yesterday and thinks West Windsor should participate. If Brett has no objection, Dick said he would contact Leslie Pelch tomorrow and let her know that we're interested. Dick noted that there's no cost to the town. Brett said she thinks it's a great idea. Dick noted the other workshops he attended. Old Home Day: Tom said the Historical Society is planning "Old Home Day" for July 4th. Tom said he thinks the parade will be on the Brownsville-Hartland Road this year. Tom asked about checking with the Windsor Police Department about police coverage for the event. Dick agreed that Tom should check but it's his recollection that the Police Chief agreed not to charge us for parade coverage. Tom said they would also like to use the Town Hall for the flea market. Brett asked when the paving is happening. Tom said he doesn't know. Sand in ditches: Tom expressed concern about the amount of road maintenance sand going into ditches. Dick said the state is focused on the "interconnected" portions of roadways, which are mapped in purple on the state natural resources atlas, to make sure runoff is not affecting streams. Dick said he knows Mike is aware of all this.
- 6) Adjourn – **Brett moved to adjourn at 6:28 PM. Dick seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Harrison