

MINUTES REGULAR SELECT BOARD MEETING
6:00 P.M. Thursday, March 3, 2022
MEMORIAL BUILDING
20 CHURCH ST. 3RD FLOOR AND VIA ZOOM

Select Board

Eric Remick, Chair
Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, Vice-Chair
Elizabeth Dow
Shari Cornish
Danny Hale

Others Present

David Upson Jr., Town Manager
Amanda Fecteau, Payroll Administrator
Tonia Chase, Town Clerk
Mike Henry, Interim Police Chief

Others Present

6:01 P.M. – David Upson Jr., Town Manager, called the Regular Select Board meeting to order.

6:01 P.M. Reorganization of the Select Board

David asked for nominations for Chair.

Upon nomination by Elizabeth Dow, seconded by Shari Cornish, the Select Board elected Eric Remick as Chair.

Eric Remick, Chair, took over the meeting at this point.

6:02 P.M. Election of a Vice-Chair of the Select Board

Eric asked for nominations for Vice Chair.

Upon nomination by Shari Cornish, seconded by Elizabeth Dow, the Select Board elected Ceilidh Galloway-Kane as Vice-Chair.

6:03 P.M. Approval of Minutes of Regular Board meeting of February 17, 2022 and the Special meeting of February 17, 2022

Upon motion by Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, seconded by Elizabeth Dow, the Select Board voted to approve the regular meeting minutes of February 17,2022 and the Special meeting minutes of February 17,2022, as written. Danny Hale abstained.

6:03 P.M. Set/Adjust Agenda- None

6:04 P.M. Communication from the Audience- None

6:04 P.M. – 6:11 P.M. Item # 1 Town Appointments

The Board reviewed the list. There was some discussion about recruiting members for open positions/seats on different committess and boards. The Select Board will continue to recruit new members.

Upon motion by Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, seconded by Elizabeth Dow, the Select Board voted to appoint the following people for one-year positions.

- David Upson, Jr., Civil Defense/Emergency Management Coordinator
- Bill Chidsey, Town Energy Coordinator
- Shari Cornish, CVSWMMD Representative
- Danny Hale, as CVSWMMD Alternate Representative
- Lawrence Hamel, Town Service Officer
- Elizabeth Dow, as Agent to Convey Real Estate
- Shari Cornish, as Board Representative to Sign Warrants
- Shari Cornish as, NEKArt's Board Representative
- Paul Fixx, as NEK Communication Union District Representative
- Eric Remick, as Hardwick Trails Committee Rep.
- Eric Remick, Lamoille Valley Rail Trail Committee Rep.
- Mallory Greaves as Town Recreation Committee member
- Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, Lucian Avery, Chip Troiano, David O'Brien, and Brad Smith (new) as the Hardwick Equity Committee
- David Upson, as Town Safety Officer
- Maya McCoy, Town Website Coordinator
- Shari Cornish, Town Representative for NVDA
- Danny Hale, Hardwick/Woodbury Rail Trail
- Richard Brochu, Town Health Officer
- David Upson, Jr., Deputy Health Officer

6:11 P.M. – 6:20 P.M. Item # 2 Establish Select Board Calendar

The Board talked about having public hearings more often, specifically for ARPA. However, David mentioned that the Neighbor to Neighbor group would like to have community meetings in different areas of the Town. There would be potentially six public meetings. David will update the Board on what the specific dates, locations, and times will be.

See attachment for the Select Board schedule

Upon motion by Danny Hale, seconded by Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, the Select Board voted to approve the Select Board schedule as presented.

6:20 P.M. – 6:21 P.M. Item # 3 Select Board to consider approval of various liquor licenses.

Ceilidh asked about the license regarding Buffalo Mountain Co-op. Tonia mentioned that Buffalo Mountain Co-op has a separate license application pending with DLC for their location on Mill Street. This application is for their location on Main Street. The Co-op plans to operate both stores for a period of time before they consolidate.

Upon motion by Ceilidh Galloway-Kane, seconded by Elizabeth Dow, the Select Board voted to approve the following liquor licenses:

First Class license for:
RBI Hardwick, LLC d/b/a Positive Pie (Hardwick)

Second Class Licenses for:

*Moreau & Moreau, Inc. d/b/a M&M Beverage Centers
Buffalo Mountain Co-op*

Third Class Licenses for:

RBI Hardwick, LLC d/b/a Positive Pie (Hardwick)

Outside Consumption Permit for:

RBI Hardwick, LLC d/b/a Positive Pie (Hardwick)

6:21 P.M. – 6:28 P.M. Item # 4 Select Board to consider approving a Memorandum of Understanding with Morrystown Police Department (MPD) and Hardwick Police Department (HPD) for MPD to provide services to HPD for death investigations and other felony criminal violations

Mike Henry explained that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Morrystown and Lamoille is to help with short staff, but to also help with Level 3 cases. Currently Mike is the only Level 3 Officer at HPD. David also explained that having MOU's between other agencies is a requirement from Vermont State Police before they are willing to help out. The Select Board wants to thank Morrystown and Lamoille for their assistance.

Upon motion by Danny Hale, seconded by Shari Cornish, the Select Board voted to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Morrystown Police Department and Hardwick Police Department for Morrystown to provide services to Hardwick for death investigations and other felony criminal violations.

6:28 P.M. – 6:29 P.M. Item # 5 Select Board to consider approving a contract with Lamoille County Sheriff's Department to provide services to Hardwick Police Department for death investigations and other felony criminal violations

Upon motion by Ceilidh Galloway- Kane, seconded by Danny Hale, the Select Board voted to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Lamoille County Sheriff's Department and Hardwick Police Department for Lamoille to provide services to Hardwick for death investigations and other felony criminal violations.

6:28 P.M. – 6:29 P.M. Item #6 Select Board to complete annual Certification of Compliance for Town Road and Bridge Standards

Upon motion by Shari Cornish, seconded by Elizabeth Dow, the Select Board voted to approve the annual certification of Compliance for Town Road and Bridge Standards.

6:28 P.M. – 6:29 P.M. Item #7 Select Board to consider adopting the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as our standard for incident management (needed for Homeland Security grant application)

The Select Board previously adopted this in 2015.

Select Board Reports-

- Eric reported that the bid for the Yellow Barn is out. There was a site visit where five contractors, and many sub contractors showed up. There will be atleast two more site visits. Bids

are due March 21.

- Eric reported that the VOREC grant will be awarded in a couple weeks. Danny stated that he is now on the VOREC Board. The next meeting is March 11, 2022.
- Shari reported that the Downtown Commission is meeting with the three candidates that applied. Things are moving along. There will be a decision made by March 21, and the new member will start on March 28.
- Shari reported that the Town House hasn't opened yet due to not having events in March. They have pushed back the opening date. The Board is wanting to do a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the project that is happening at the Town House. The MOU will be brought to the Board soon.

Old Business-

- Eric explained that he and David are having a meeting with A&E about the Waste Water Treatment Plant tomorrow, March 4, 2022, at 11 a.m.

New Business-

- A committee has been formed to discuss the new plans for the Hardwick Rescue Squad.
- The Select Board would like to prioritize projects and have them on the agenda monthly. Next meeting they would like a list of projects, including Bond projects, that the Town is working on.
- Ceilidh would like to thank Michael Deering for his year of service on the Select Board, Alberta Miller for being our Town Clerk for the past eighteen years, and Leif Goldberg for his time at HCTV. She would also like to congratulate Danny Hale for being voted onto the Select Board, Tonia Chase for becoming the new Town Clerk, and to Elizabeth Rossano for becoming the new Executive Director for HCTV!

6:56 P.M. - Eric Remick, Select Board Chair, adjourned the meeting.

Minutes approved by: _____
Eric Remick, Chair of the Select Board

Minutes taken by: _____
Amanda Fecteau, Payroll Administrator