

Town of Colrain
Select Board Meeting
Highway Garage
9 Jacksonville Road
4:30 P.M.

MINUTES OF JUNE 15, 2021

Present Joe Kurland, Mike Slowinski, Thom Griffin

Others Present Betsy Shuipis, Administrative Assistant; Kevin Fox, Town Administrator.

The meeting was called to order by Joe Kurland at 4:32 p.m.

Appointments None

New Business **MOU for Hauling Services, FCRWMD**

MOVED: Mike Slowinski moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding By and Between the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District and the Town of Colrain Regarding Hauling of Recyclables and Hauling and Disposal of Bulky Wastes; and Hauling and Disposal of Scrap Metal and Appliances. Thom Griffin seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Old Business **Town Facilities Re-opening and Town Public Bodies Meeting Protocol**

Greenfield Glass is scheduled to install the barriers July 15. The Select Board will address the Town Office re-opening after that date.

MOVED: Mike Slowinski moved to rescind the local State of Emergency dated March 16, 2020 as pertained to the pandemic. Thom seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Unanticipated **Marty Dagoberto, East Colrain Road, re: swimming prohibition on Department of Fish & Wildlife (DFW) Property**

Mr. Dagoberto is requesting that the Select Board “initiate action to encourage the DFW NOT to prohibit swimming on their properties.” The Select Board requires more information before a decision is made.

Animal Inspector Vacancy

Joe Kurland spoke with Jack Cavolick, a former Animal Inspector for the Town of Colrain, who said the job consisted mainly of 2 parts – quarantining suspect animals and the once-a-year inspection of barns. Jack thought the job took approximately 40 hrs/year. It was agreed the salary (\$400/yr.) needs to be raised. If a viable candidate is interested, the Town can offer more money.

Colrain Fire District request to use the Town Garage meeting room

The Town Garage meeting room is only for the use of Town boards and committees.

MOVED: Mike Slowinski moved that we allow the Colrain Fire District to use the Town Garage meeting room to hold their annual district meeting and any other meetings that come up during the year. Thom Griffin seconded. **Voted unanimously.**

Larry Bezio, Colrain Council on Aging, re: Lifepath’s Age-friendly Communities Project.
The Council on Aging would like the Select Board to invite Nour Elkhattaby Strauch to give a 15-minute presentation on the project.

MOVED: Thom Griffin moved that we invite the Council on Aging to our next meeting for a short presentation. Mike Slowinski seconded. **Voted unanimously.**

FRCOG Request - Letter of Support of Application to the MassDEP’s Nonpoint Source Pollution Grant Program Grant

MOVED: Mike Slowinski moved to approve the letter of support to Ms. Noake-MacPhee of FRCOG’s application to the MassDEP’s Nonpoint Source Pollution Grant Program. Thom Griffin seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

CLRF Application

MOVED: Mike Slowinski moved to authorize Kevin Fox to apply for the CLRF required application and paperwork. Thom Griffin seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

MOVED: Mike Slowinski moved to end the meeting at 5:31 p.m. Thom Griffin seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted by the Select Board

Betsy Shuipis
Administrative Assistant

Joe Kurland - Chair

Mike Slowinski

Thom Griffin

Documents

Select Board Meeting Notes

KP Law, Implications of the Pending Termination of the State of Emergency, 6/7/21

Select Board Minutes of March 16, 2020, Adoption of Remote Participation at meetings of public bodies in accordance with CMR 29.10(2).

Town of Colrain Declaration of Emergency dated March 16, 2020.

FCSWMD Memorandum of Understanding for Hauling Services effective July 1, 2021.

Email from Megan Rhodes dated June 14, 2021 re Colrain Support Letter

Sample Letter of Support to Ms. Noake-MacPhee of FRCOG's application to MassDEP's Nonpoint Source Pollution Grant Program.

Email from Laura Brufee to the Town Administrator re: reserving the Town Garage for the Colrain Fire District meetings.

Email from Marty Dagoberto to the Select Board re: Protecting Swimming Access, preventing conflict.

Email from Larry Bezio to the Select Board re: Council on Aging invitation to Lifepath's Age-Friendly Communities Project to give a short presentation at the next Select Board meeting.