

Plainfield Selectboard draft minutes of April 16, 2018 meeting

Present: Selectboard members Ross Sneyd, Chair, Sasha Thayer, Tammy Farnham, Road Commissioner Bram Towbin, and Clerk/Treasurer Linda Wells.

Ross called the meeting to order at 7pm

The board approved the following agenda:

Review Agenda

Review and vote on warning for special town meeting vote regarding Gallison House

Executive session under 1 VSA 313(a) (3) personnel

Open session, vote related personnel

Adjournment

The board discussed transparency in preparing for the upcoming reconsideration vote on the Gallison House property.

Ross made a motion to adopt the Resolution as presented for capital improvement borrowing, for the reconsideration vote on the Gallison House property at 25 High Street and the motion was approved.

Sasha made a motion to approve the warning as presented by Clerk, Linda Wells for a vote to be held on May 17, 2018 at the Plainfield Municipal Building between the hours of 9am until 7pm, on Article 1, Shall the voters authorize the Selectboard to purchase the Gallison House property at 25 High Street for the purpose of providing parking for the Town Hall Opera House, and to finance this purchase for a sum not to exceed \$70,000 payable over a term not exceed ten years?

The motion was approved.

Sasha made a motion to schedule the informational hearing for May 7, 2018 at the Plainfield Town Hall Opera House at 7pm, the motion was approved.

Ross scheduled a site visit at the Gallison property with Dan Currier of Central VT Regional Planning for Tuesday, April 17 at 8:30am for the board to attend.

The board discussed doing further research to have costs associated with preparing the property to provide parking for the Opera House.

The board agreed that is it good to gather information in preparation for the public informational hearing to be held on May 7, 2018.

7:20pm Ross made a motion to enter executive session for personnel, per 1 VSA section 313 (a)(3), and invited Bram Towbin, Road Commissioner and Linda Wells, Clerk to stay for the session. The board approved the motion.

7:50pm Ross made a motion to exit executive session and resume open session, the motion was approved.

Ross made a motion to grant a 3% increase to Michael Bingham as a result of his six month probationary review, the motion was approved.

Bram wanted to clarify for the record that the 1972 International Truck was in need of expensive repairs including a rear end replacement. Given the age and that the vehicle had a hybrid engine, parts were very hard to find. The Town did sell the truck for \$4,000.

The Selectboard approved the warrants for 4/11 and 4/16/18.

Ross moved to adjourn at 8pm, the motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda B. Wells, Town Clerk