

Wilmington Selectboard Agenda November 19, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Present: Tom Fitzgerald, Vince Rice, Sarah Fisher, Ann Manwaring. John Gannon at 6:33 pm

Others Present: Scott Tucker, Jessica DeFrancesco, Gretchen Havreluk, Carol DeBarba, Hal Moore, Becky Arbella, Maria Stewart, Katie Boyd, Steve Ovenden, Vickie Sterling

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

1. Visitors, Public Comments, Possible Changes to the Agenda
 - Remove Groundworks from and add Wings to item #3.
 - Under other business add, authorize the town manager to sign documents to execute the SnoValuation contract.
2. Approve Minutes of November 5 and 6, 2019
 - Rice moved to approve the minutes of November 5 and 6, 2019, Fisher second; all in favor.
3. Social Services
 - Social Service Organizations to present to the Selectboard;
 - Women's Freedom Center–Vickie Sterling; in existence for 45 years, 24-hour hotline for assistance in shelter, safety planning, financial assistance, and information/referral. 13 adult and 9 child survivors from Wilmington. All services are confidential.
 - Deerfield Valley Food Pantry–Carol DeBarba; support 8 towns in the valley. Each town has donated at least \$500. Members and churches also donate. Many fundraisers happen during the year, and many individuals make monetary and food donations. 80–100 families served per month. 30–40% of the families are from Wilmington.
 - Youth Services–Russell Bradbury–Carlin; youth development programs, restorative justice programs, clinical programs, workforce development programs. They serve 15 residents from Wilmington; court diversion, substance abuse safety, case management. Hoping in the future to be able to expand the clinical program into Wilmington.
 - Green Mountain RSVP–Steve Ovenden; help nonprofits by recruiting volunteers over the age of 55. “Seniors helping seniors”. Bone Builders, aging in place, meals on wheels are some of the programs they help supply volunteers to. Requesting \$400 from Wilmington
 - SASH–Becky Arbella; serving 68 people in Wilmington. Social engagement is so important to a person's well-being. Hoping to set up an information center at OSEC. Receive funding from Medicare, Medicaid and BCBS; Requesting a \$5,000 increase to \$15,000.
 - HCRS–Hal Moore; provided 1557 hours of service to 39 residents of Wilmington; assistance and advocacy for those living with mental illness, developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders. Provide outpatient mental health services, alcohol and drug treatment, community rehabilitation, and development services. 42 out of 56 towns asked contribute to the organization.

- Wings–Katie Boyd & Maria Stewart; 79.8% of TVES & TVMHS population attended a Wings program or received tutoring services. After school programs and summer camp is organized by Wings. They are requesting \$10,000.

4. Stump Jumpers

- Manwaring moved to approve the annual request by the Deerfield Valley Stump Jumpers for use of town road for snowmobile access plus Haynes Rd from Meadowlark to Higley Hill, Rice second; all in favor.

5. 1% Local Option Tax Request

- Gannon moved to approve a request from SeVEDS for \$5628 from the 1% local option tax; Rice second; all in favor.
- This grant would be for both sides of the street since it is such a short length of sidewalk. Gannon moved to approve a 20% match for a VTrans Alternative grant for the North Main St Sidewalks in the amount of up to \$67,000 from the 1% local option tax, Fisher second; all in favor.

6. Other Business/Correspondence

- Gannon moved to authorize the town manager to sign documents to execute the SnoValuation contract; Fisher second; all in favor.

7. Select Board Members Comments

- The meeting at OSEC this morning has a good turn out. Many issues brought up were similar throughout the town visited. Legislative breakfast tomorrow morning at 8 am.
- Housing study presentation was last night. Problems have been pinpointed but there are no solutions at this point.

8. Town Manager's Updates

- An RFP will be going out to install electric charging stations throughout the state. They are asking for a 20% match for 3 stations. There are a lot of unknowns at this time. Looking for a consensus from the Board to move forward. Board agrees.
- Public Safety RFP went out. Site visit on Thursday.

9. Executive Session

- Fitzgerald moved to find that premature general public knowledge of the employment contract would place the town at a disadvantage, Rice second; all in favor.
- Fitzgerald moved to enter into executive session at 7:51 pm for the purposes of reviewing an employment contract, Rice second; all in favor.

Out of executive session at 8:37 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica DeFrancesco, Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Wilmington Selectboard:

Thomas Fitzgerald, Chair

John Gannon, Vice Chair

Vince Rice, Clerk

Sarah Fisher

Ann Manwaring