

**Town of New Haven Selectboard Meeting**  
**7:00 pm**  
**Tuesday, August 3, 2021**  
**Town Offices**

Selectboard: Vice Chair, Taborri Bruhl (Remote), Kathy Barrett and Bruce Many  
Town Administrator / ZA: Aaron Brown (Remote)  
Selectboard Assistant: Pam Kingman  
Absent: John Roleau and Steve Dupoise  
Visitors: Bev Landon

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** VGS on North St / Approve Advertisement for Town Admin. and Zoning Admin. Position / Appointment / Unified Bylaws

**VISITORS BUSINESS:**

1. **Bev Landon** came to talk about the Historical Society using the Train Depot once it is moved to its location on North St. Many years ago, Betty Bell had hoped to move the Historical Society's collection into the old Town Clerks office, but it never came to fruition. Bev went through the minutes of the Selectboard and Train Depot Committee meetings and found mention that the Historical Society might be allowed to use at least half of the train depot. She said she was asked by the Town Administrator, Aaron Brown to write a letter to accompany the grant. The letter said it would be nice for the Historical Society to have a place to hold their meetings and display their collection; indicating the train depot would be a good location. Discussed how much space the Historical Society needs to house and display their collection. Bev said it is hard to gauge how much space is needed, but she estimated at least half of the depot. Kathy Barrett said the Town will be receiving the contents of the depot and we just don't know how much is actually in there. Taborri Bruhl said it is much too early to determine what the depot will be used for. The depot needs to be moved to North Street. We don't have any water or sewer hookup or even a foundation. Bev suggested using monies from the Andrew Johnson Fund towards rehabbing the interior of the depot, and preservation of the original hardwood floors. The Board mentioned Village Designation and Historic Preservation are great places for grant opportunities so the Town may not need much, if any, funds for interior work. Bev asked for a letter from the Selectboard saying the Historical Society will most likely have space in the depot. The Board did not agree with this. Kathy

Barrett made a motion authorizing Pam Kingman to draft a letter to the New Haven Historical Society acknowledging receipt of the letter from the Historical Society. Motion seconded by Bruce Many. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATORS REPORT given by Aaron Brown:**

#### **1. Road Update:**

- **Town Hill Rd:** The guardrails are nearing completion
- Aaron has the linear footage for line striping on Twitchell Hill and Pearson Roads. The Board discussed needing white lines on Plank Road and will need striping on Town Hill Rd later on. Aaron will put line striping out to bid, with a separate bid for Town Hill to be striped at a later date.
- The Road Crew said side mower is down, the first pass deck needs work, and they are working on it.

#### **2. Town Buildings and Land:** Nothing to report

### **AUTHORIZATIONS:**

1. Taborri Bruhl made a motion to approve payroll for the week ending 7/31/21, in the amount of \$4,251.65, seconded by Bruce Many. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no
2. Bruce Many made a motion to approve the pay orders for the week ending 8/3/21, in the amount of \$258,462.29, (includes paving Twitchell Hill Road and a portion of Pearson Road) seconded by Taborri Bruhl. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no
3. Taborri Bruhl made a motion to approve the Special Town Meeting minutes and the Selectboard minutes from 7/27/21. Motion seconded by Bruce Many. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

#### **1. Train Depot Update: Defer**

### **ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA:**

1. **Vermont Gas System Permit Request:** Taborri Bruhl made a motion to approve Vermont Gas boring under North Street to hook up the Devoid residence at 1850 North Street. Motion seconded by Kathy Barrett. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no  
Discussed having a new form for permits like this. Also asking Vermont Gas to be sure to have good signage out when doing the boring, this is on the crest of "Pecks Hill".
2. **Appointment:** Taborri Bruhl made a motion to appoint Jim Walsh as an Alternate to the Addison County Regional Planning Commission for a one year term, seconded by Bruce Many. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no

- 3. **Advertisement for Town Administrator / Zoning Administrator position(s):**  
Taborri Bruhl made a motion to approve the ad for the Town Administrator and Zoning Administrator position(s), and to put ad into relevant newspapers and on media sites ASAP. Motion seconded by Kathy Barrett. Vote by roll call 3 yes / 0 no
- 4. **Unified bylaws:** Kathy Barrett has emailed 4 pages of edits to the Planning Commission, Selectboard and DRB members for review. Aaron said he would like to hold a joint meeting between the PC and DRB, and is hoping DRB members come to the PC meeting on Monday, August 9. Kathy Barrett suggested he start letting PC and DRB members know about it. Kathy also suggested if the PC doesn't have a quorum on Monday night, that Aaron should schedule a joint meeting between the DRB and PC on Monday, September 23, 2021. Per firm request of the Selectboard.

Adjourn: 7:41 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Pam Kingman

Approved on 8-17-21

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Vice Chair, Taborri Bruhl

*Kathleen Barrett* \_\_\_\_\_  
Kathy Barrett

*B. Manly* \_\_\_\_\_  
Bruce Manly

