

**Dover Select Board
Public Hearing
& Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 21, 2020
Dover Town Hall**

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Select Board present: Josh Cohen, Victoria Capitani, Sarah Shippee, Joe Mahon

Select Board present via Zoom: Dan Baliotti

Also, present via Zoom: Office Manager, Jeannette Eckert

Public present: Jim McDevitt, Diana Dee, Alexander Dean, Randy Johnson, Eric Durocher, Tabi Freedman, Tracy Bartels

Public via Zoom: Lauren Harkawik, Paul Fisher, Kathryn Romano, Darren Romano, Katie Knoll, Michael Garber, Jessica Lee Smith, Travis Briggs, Tim Dolan, Shannon Wheeler

Continuance of Public Hearing: RE: Vicious Dog/Public Nuisance Complaint

The Selectboard of the Town of Dover, Vermont, will hold a Public Hearing pursuant to 20 V.S.A. §3546 on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 6:15pm at the Town Dover Hall, 189 Taft Brook Rd in East Dover, Vermont to continue to hear evidence and receive testimony on a complaint of a "vicious dog" concerning a dog named Gemini owned by Diana Dee presently residing in West Dover, Vermont.

The Hearing was called to order at 6:20pm by Chair Josh Cohen

He turned the session over to Board member Sarah Shippee

Sarah Shippee related that the Board had received additional written testimony from both the victim, the dog owner, and their interested parties. These will be reviewed along with the prior statements & testimony during Deliberative Session after the close of the regular Select board meeting this evening. The Board had continued the hearing in order to obtain any additional details to aid in the rendering of a decision in this complaint.

Police Chief Randy Johnson confirmed that there were no previous filed complaints on the dog in question. Attorney Dean asked why the new information was not being read into the record as the previous testimony was on July 14th

Board member Shippee related that given the time constraints the new written testimony would be reviewed solely by the Board during its Deliberative Session

On a motion by Vicki Capitani, seconded by Sarah Shippee the Board agreed to close the hearing & adjourn at 6:29pm

Regular Meeting Called to Order at 6:30pm by Chair Cohen

I. Public Comments:

Paul Fisher asked for more clarification on the mask resolution and its enforcement; whether conditions/consequences could be placed when violations occurred for non-compliance; and as such provide aid to the Police dept. in its enforcement of the resolution

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Chair Josh Cohen reiterated that a resolution can not have such parameters placed in it; only an ordinance would have the teeth for such non-compliance; however, an ordinance takes at least 30 plus days to become effective but it could be reconsidered by the Board at a later date

Dan Baliotti related that he has had no issues in his establishment; customers are given masks if they do not have one and there have been no complaints about it

II. New Business:

A. Review 2020/2021 Heating Oil Bids (Jeannette Eckert)

Three bids were received for this year's proposal:

	heating oil	kerosene	summer diesel/winter diesel	propane
Barrows & Fisher	\$1.585	\$2.749	\$1.62/\$1.72	n/a
Cota & Cota	\$2.11	\$2.21	\$1.76/\$1.76	\$1.79
Guy Nido	\$1.53	\$2.25	\$1.67/\$1.89	\$1.70

- The pricing has gone down considerably over last year.
- Both Cota & Cota and Barrows & Fisher's diesel prices float with the market, whereas Nido's are fixed
- The Town has contracted with Nido for many years and been satisfied with service
 - There are credits coming back in the amount of \$2312.54
- Propane is used by the Town Hall and the Dover School
- The generators are serviced separately by Suburban Propane which was agreed upon at the time of installation
 - Possible to look into changing over to solely one supplier for propane
 - As the generators are only used in long term emergency outages, the propane is rarely used
 - The propane tanks are rented annually at a cost of \$100 each
 - Believe the price is \$1.99/gallon
- Possible to look into separating out the bid based on product but believe it would be more difficult to manage with a variety of suppliers

On a motion by Joe Mahon, seconded by Sarah Shippee, the Board unanimously agreed to contract with Guy Nido for the 2020/2021 season in the amount of \$80,418.26

III. Economic Development: Eric Durocher and Shannon Wheeler

A. Introduction of Tracy Bartels, GM Mount Snow

- Tracy was welcomed by the Board and the public present
- Moved here during the pandemic from Colorado
- Has worked for Vail Resorts for 20 years
- Golf at Mt Snow has been open for a while now
- Taking a slow and cautious approach to reopening other parts of the mountain
- Appreciate the support with the mask resolution; Mt Snow was already going down that path—"no mask, no service"
- No biking this summer due to Covid restrictions
- Desire to be there for the employees and the guests, keeping everyone safe
- Unsure about opening daycare facilities; hope to at some point but no date yet
- Working on winter plans and excited to get moving on that

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- Eric is working with Shannon and Tracy to share updates with the business community; plan is to do so at the end of August

B. Overview of BDCC Revolving Loan Program

- Draft was sent to the Board for review to see if any interest
- Loans can go up to \$50,000
- Town is on the hook for 10%; BDCC is in for 10%
- \$5000 grant from BDCC for technical assistance; \$5000 grant from the Town
 - Our 10% would go towards buildings, renovations etc.
- Believe it would be helpful to area businesses
- \$40,000 was budgeted under Business Development
- BDCC wants to be involved with the Town of Dover
- This would be specific to Dover businesses solely
- Could set a budget for what the Town is willing to allot

Board comments:

- Caps on the funding?
- Clarify BDCC's involvement
- Consider cap on number of applicants as a test case
- Board's consensus is to move forward with the concept

C. DASP program submission request clarification

- A business would like to have Tee Shirts made for their staff with the Town logo on it--- is that an acceptable use of the program?
- Does this fall under employee benefits which is listed as not acceptable; looking for clarification
- Perhaps a slippery slope—not specifically addressed but does not really fall into the program

Board comments:

- Sarah saw the shirt. It has the business logo on the back, Town of Dover home of Mt Snow below it in fairly large print
- Shirt is intended for employees but also as a give away for customers and townspeople
- Concerned that we are outfitting employees who are wearing them within the business
- If items were for purchase or mail order perhaps; Does not really drive business to the area; program is supposed to be for advertising
- This is not a retail establishment but a property service in Dover that serves the area; customers who use the services can purchase the shirts; employees would be visible in the shirts throughout town
- The funds would not be used as intended
- Would we be outfitting all the businesses in town? Agree with the slippery slope
- Consensus of the Board is not to approve the request

D. DO-IT Program - review/possibly approve applications

- North Office Building on Route 100

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- Looking for funding at \$4500 to replace door, wood siding and repaint the whole building
- Believe it would be a good use of the program, building is looking worn and could use the update; it is in a prominent spot

Board comments:

- Would like to know how long the present condition has been there
- Dan looked into the same siding as on this building; it should have had a 30-year guarantee and it was only done 10-12 years ago, that should be investigated
- Should we know more about the product and its quality? Was it not installed properly? Not throwing good money after bad
- These types of projects should be inspected in person prior to funding
- Will revisit after clarification from the owner

E. Dover Together Parade: event has been postponed, hopefully to be revisited at future date, possibly next spring

- ~~Charity selection to partner with for shirt fundraising~~
- ~~Prize amounts/approval for spectators & participants~~
- Site use agreement with Vail
 - While we won't use it in this instance now, at a future date will have to be looked at for any other events
 - This was reviewed by both VLCT and town attorney Chris Dugan
 - *"Sign it or don't; a blanket agreement and unlikely that Vail would remove the indemnification clause"*
 - Never had such an agreement before with Mt Snow
 - Have the Town attorney revisit with different conditions where it should be signed, others where it should not be signed?
 - Josh will take a closer look at it

FYI: Eat, shop dine, local—should have 40 businesses signed up in Dover by the end of the week

IV. Consent Agenda:

A. Approve the Minutes of July 7, 2020 & July 14, 2020

On a motion by Victoria Capitani, seconded by Sarah Shippee, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of July 7, 2020

On a motion by Victoria Capitani, seconded by Sarah Shippee, the Board voted 4-0-1 to approve the minutes of July 14, 2020 (Baliotti abstained)

B. Approve the Warrants of July 4, 2020 for \$106,000 & July 11, 2020 for \$273,565.28

On a motion by Victoria Capitani, seconded by Sarah Shippee, the Board unanimously approved the warrants of July 4 and July 11, 2020

V. FYI:

A. Windham Region COVID-19 Recovery Forum: July 23rd from 6:30-8:30pm.

To Register Visit: www.vtrural.org/recovery/windham

There are different break-out sessions for various topics during this meeting

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B. Summer Concerts at the Park:

- July 26: Wyld Nightz
- August 2: Miss Paula and the Twangbusters

VI. Liaison Reports: none

VII. Adjournment of Select board meeting at 7:12pm by Chair Cohen

VIII. Deliberative Session for Dog Hearing

The Board reconvened the Dog Hearing at 7:14pm

On a motion by Victoria Capitani, seconded by Joe Mahon, the Board unanimously agreed to enter into Deliberative Session at 7:14pm

On a motion by Victoria Capitani, seconded by Joe Mahon, the Board unanimously agreed to come out of Deliberative Session at 7:40pm

Hearing adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted by Jeannette Eckert

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Dover Free Library, East Dover Post Office, Town of Dover Website: www.doververmont.com