

**TOWN OF STAMFORD  
SELECTBOARD MEETING  
July 17, 2019  
(UNAPPROVED)**

Present: Selectboard: Nancy L. Bushika, Carol A. Fachini, and Michael G. Denault.  
Daniel J. Potvin and Christopher Warren were not present.

Visitors: Tyna Senecal and Pat Sullivan.  
William Levine, Emergency Management Director.  
James Stimpson, Administrative Officer.  
Lori Shepard, Selectboard Secretary.

Nancy Bushika called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to find that premature public discussion of an employee matter would place the town at a substantial disadvantage. SECONDED by Mike Denault. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3). SECONDED by Mike Denault. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

Jim Stimpson was invited into executive session. The board entered executive session at 6:01 p.m.

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to exit executive session. SECONDED by Mike Denault. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The board exited executive session at 6:40 p.m. Results: The board will redesign the Application for a Building or Change of Use form and the Application to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a Variance.

Nancy Bushika began the regular meeting with the pledge of allegiance, welcomed everyone, and read a statement with procedural rules for the meeting. There were no changes to the agenda or its order.

**HEARING OF VISITORS:**

**TILE PROJECT**

Pat Sullivan advised that the tile project has started and there is still one more night to create a tile. In early August those who have created tiles will have time to paint them and then the tiles will be glazed and finished. The tiles will be used to create a plaque in front of the school.

**HARVEST STAMFORD COMMUNITY SUPPER**

The harvest supper will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 5 p.m. in front of the Stamford School. Bring your own picnic food to share with those at your table. Tomato soup and potato salad from the garden will be available for everyone. There will be musical entertainment provided by the American Modern Opera Company. Bill Levine suggested Pat Sullivan contact the fire department for assistance with traffic control to help people cross the road. All are welcome and encouraged to come.

**MINUTES**

MOTION by Mike Denault to accept the regular meeting minutes of July 11, 2019 as written. SECONDED by Carol Fachini. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

**SELECTBOARD ORDERS**

The Selectboard reviewed and approved the following orders:

WARRANT #29 \$ 8,494.19 payroll

WARRANT #30 \$58,518.71 accounts payable

#### ROAD CONDITIONS

Nothing to report.

#### RECYCLING

Nothing to report.

#### ASSESSOR CLERK POSITION

No update.

#### SCHOOL/TOWN BUILDING

1. The School Board has been invited to the August 15, 2019 Selectboard meeting.
2. Attorney Robert Fisher practices municipal law and has offices in West Dover and Brattleboro. He was very interested in working with Stamford and was willing to either come to a Selectboard meeting or submit his resume. The Selectboard will request more information.

#### COMMUNITY PROJECT COMMITTEE

The committee has been formed and the first meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 4:15 p.m.

#### REAPPRAISAL COMPLIANCE PLAN/REVIEW REAPPRAISAL DRAFT BID

The reappraisal compliance plan is being prepared.

#### FOREST SERVICE AGREEMENT

Dan Potvin is reviewing the Forest Service contract and will discuss with the board at the next meeting.

#### DOGS

1. A few more owners have come in to license their dogs.
2. The Selectboard is waiting for the names of the residents walking their dogs on school grounds.

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

1. Bill Levine will be calculating a 911 number for a building in Alpenwald. He will be driving around town soon to see how many 911 house numbers are visible from the road and will send another set of compliance letters.
2. The power went out today and the generator worked fine.

#### PURGING OF THE VOTER CHECKLIST

A Board of Civil Authority meeting will be scheduled for Thursday, August 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. to review the checklist and challenge any voter who the board believes has moved away from town. The purge is required by law every two years.

#### DISCONTINUANCE OF A TOWN ROAD

A request was received to discontinue the town road from Main Road in front of the former Shippee residence to its intersection with Lincoln Road. A site visit has been scheduled for 5:30 p.m. at the location of the proposed discontinuance on Thursday September 5, 2019. A public hearing to receive public comment and input will immediately follow at 6 p.m. at the town office. The regular Selectboard meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Mike Denault received word that there was some trash dumping on the back roads. When he contacts the sheriff about the ATVs riding on the roads he will also contact the state police about the dumping. There were \$1,500.00 in fines given out last year for illegal dumping so the police are making a difference.

2. The board will be redesigning the Application for a Building or Change of Use form and the Application to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a Variance to make them more user friendly.

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to adjourn. SECONDED by Mike Denault. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Carol A. Fachini  
Clerk

CF/las

#### REMINDERS

1. The harvest supper will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2019 at 5 p.m. in front of the Stamford School.
2. Please visit the town's new official website: [townofstamfordvermont.org](http://townofstamfordvermont.org).
3. The town clerk's office hours are: Monday: closed; Tuesday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Wednesday 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Thursday 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; and Friday: 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.