

VILLAGE OF MANCHESTER

MANCHESTER, VERMONT 05254

Regular Meeting

Village Board of Trustees

Monday, March 2, 2015

4:30 p.m., 45 Union Street

Present: President Brian Knight, Trustees Tom Dyett, Jim Lewis, and Ramsay Gourd, and Missy Johnson, the new employee who will be replacing Melissa Greason as Secretary to the Board of Trustees.

Absent: Trustee Andrea Ross and Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector Julia Arvin

Also present: Mr. Donald Brodie

President Knight called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. and asked for a motion on the minutes of January 5, 2015. Trustee Gourd moved approval of the minutes, as submitted, seconded by Trustee Lewis and so voted. The February meeting was cancelled due to weather.

Under the Road Report, Trustee Gourd had a written report that he handed out and will be attached to the minutes of this meeting. He reported that the Village is tight on the budget with a lot of overtime for the road crew. The amount of salt used this year is comparable with last year at this time. He has asked to go into executive session at the end of the meeting to discuss personnel.

In the absence of the Treasurer, a written report was handed out that will be attached to the minutes of this meeting.

President Knight advised that there is no Administrator's report and no legal matters to report.

Under Liquor License Renewals, Trustee Gourd moved to approve the following First Class Licenses: Wilburton Inn, Merritt Vermont Beverage, Inc. for the Equinox Hotel, Equinox Clubhouse at 108 Union Street, and the 1811 House, The Silver Fork, Ekwanok Country Club, Mulligan's of Manchester, and the Inn at Manchester. The motion was seconded by Trustee Dyett and unanimously voted. Trustee Gourd moved to approve the Second Class Liquor License for Merritt Vermont Beverage for the Equinox Hotel Gift Shop, seconded by Trustee Dyett and so voted. Trustee Lewis moved to approve the Outside Consumption Permits for the following: Wilburton Inn, Merritt Vermont Beverage, Inc. for the Equinox Hotel, Equinox Clubhouse at 108 Union Street, and the 1811 House, Ekwanok Country Club, and the Inn at Manchester. The motion was seconded by Trustee Gourd and so voted.

Trustee Gourd moved to approve two Tobacco Licenses to Merritt Vermont Beverage, Inc., seconded by Trustee Lewis and so voted.

In other business, President Knight advised that Orvis Company has applied for permits for several sales events in the next few months. Trustee Lewis moved to approve the permits, seconded by Trustee Gourd and so voted. The Zoning Administrator will be asked to advise Orvis in writing of the approvals.

President Knight advised the Board that the violation notice has been rescinded for the issue concerning the dog investigation regarding a commercial activity as a kennel, as well as "barking dogs"

Further, President Knight advised that the PACIF Insurance Company has suggested that the Village look into the installation of a back-up camera on the trucks. He asked Trustee Gourd to investigate and report back to the Board.

Trustee Gourd then moved to go into executive session at 5:03 p.m., seconded by Trustee Lewis and so voted.

The Trustees came out of executive session at 5:24 p.m. Trustee Gourd moved to give the Road Foreman Alan a bonus of \$2000 and Road Crewman Adam a

bonus of \$600, payable this week. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lewis and unanimously voted. It was noted that Alan and Adam have and are working very hard and well together. Trustee Gourd will give the bonuses to them on Thursday.

There being no further business, Trustee Gourd moved to adjourn at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Trustee Dyett and so voted.

Melissa S. Greason, Secretary