

JOHNSON SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
ALL PARTICIPATION BY ZOOM TELECONFERENCING
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2020

Present:

Selectboard Members: Mike Dunham, Nat Kinney, Doug Molde, Eric Osgood

Others: Brian Story, Rosemary Audibert, Brian Krause, Rick Aupperlee, Greg Tatro, Beth Foy, Jeanne Engel, Lea Kilvadyova, Lisa Crews, Rob Rodriguez, Scott Meyer, Kim Dunkley, Lois Frey, Casey Romero, 2 other community members

Note: All votes taken are unanimous unless otherwise noted.

1. Call to Order

Eric called the meeting to order at 7:00.

2. Additions, Changes to Agenda

Eric added a broadband update requested by Doug.

3. Review and Approve Minutes of Meetings Past

Not everyone had seen the minutes of May 4, so approval was postponed until the next meeting.

4. Treasurer's Report / Review and Approve Bills, Warrants, Licenses / Any Action Items

Rosemary said earlier today she sent out a budget status report. We have gotten all expected state revenue. We have spent about 70% of budget with only one more month left in the fiscal year. Eric asked if she thinks we will hit 100%. Rosemary said yes. The 70% doesn't include the orders the board will approve tonight and she still has to book up the reserve funds. We will be very close to 100%.

As of May 12, the amount of delinquent taxes for this year was \$238K. Last year it was \$214K and the year before it was \$165K. Rosemary said she doesn't believe we have received any abatement requests yet.

Rosemary said there are warrants totaling \$726K. **Nat moved to authorize Eric to sign the orders and the motion was seconded and passed.**

5. Road Commissioner/Road Foreman Report and Action Items

Brian Krause asked when the board wants the trees removed from the skate park and whether they should be moved offsite or kept onsite so they can be reused if we get another outbreak. Nat said he would keep them onsite in case we need to use them again and remove them as the crew is able. Eric agreed.

Mike said various groups have budgets and receive taxpayer money. Every time public works does something for one of those groups, does public works get reimbursed for their time?

Eric said no, he was never aware of us doing that. Brian K. said for a few projects the public works department gets reimbursed for materials – for instance, if a playground is put in and he has to buy stone. They are never reimbursed for equipment time or man-hours as far as he knows. Mike said he thinks the time should be reimbursed.

Nat said that seems like a discussion for budget time. He said the trees at the skate park were put in place by order of the emergency management group to enforce social distancing. It

was not the skate park's decision, it was the town's, so the town needs to bear that expense. Mike said he is not necessarily talking about that. He is talking about other things throughout the year that public works does for various town groups. Public works is subsidizing them if we are not getting reimbursed.

Doug said he suspects the other groups don't have allocations in their budgets for what is being done by the public works department. Mike said they should. Doug said that is why it would be a budget discussion. We named it the public works department rather than roads for a reason.

Mike said money is earmarked for the public works department for certain reasons and when it is taken away from their primary function then roads are lacking. Eric said none of the groups are currently prepared to pay for these things so this is a good discussion to have for next fall. We would basically be giving a little more money to these departments and then they would be giving it back to the public works department.

Eric suggested maybe Brian and Rosemary could say how much time is spent on that type of work by public works employees and how hard it would be for Rosemary to manage transferring the money back and forth. Brian said he doesn't think it would be too difficult for us to track. Employees are used to tracking how time is spent for grant purposes and this is not terribly different.

Nat said these are important public assets we have the responsibility to maintain properly. He is in favor of tracking hours and expenses for maintenance but not in favor of taking maintenance away from these parks. It is needed.

Brian S. said it would not be a problem to make a change like this in future budgets but it is not something we can accommodate in the budget that was already passed.

Doug asked, would we want to start tracking the time through the next year so we have a track record? Brian S. said he thinks it is a good idea to track it so we can make good estimates and then we can make a change for FY22. Rosemary asked if we would also want to track truck time. Eric said he thinks so. Rosemary asked if we would want to put benefits toward it too. Eric asked about what is done for the village. Rosemary said just time and materials are billed.

Brian S. said there are also questions about whether some things we do, like mowing, are rec department related or not. Mike said he is talking about any group, not just the rec group. Brian said we mow the rail trail, which benefits recreation, but we are being asked to do that by Friends of the Rail Trail, not the rec committee.

It was agreed to start tracking time spent by the public works department on work for town groups.

Brian K. said there have been a lot of complaints about the condition of some roads. There are a few that need grading and haven't been graded yet. He had a skeleton crew for 5 weeks

and we weren't allowed to do a lot of work because of COVID-19. This is a good week for grading and he doesn't see the problem persisting beyond this week.

Brian K. said Plot Road is going to be closed close to Clay Hill on May 25 and 26, just during the day, for work on a culvert crossing.

Brian K. said he needs to get a projector. They cost around \$300. Public works employees can't go to classes in person right now and they have to do online trainings. They can't maintain social distancing while all watching the TV. He talked to Brian S. about borrowing the projector from the municipal building but it is the village's and can't be removed from the building. It is hard to plan meetings for times when the municipal building is free. Sometimes classes are only offered at one time.

Eric said Jeanne Engel has indicated that the library has one. Is this just a temporary need during the pandemic? Brian said he doesn't anticipate needing it forever but he doesn't know that things will be the same after the pandemic. He thinks people will see how convenient it is to do online safety classes and maybe there will be more.

Nat said to the best of his recollection the projector was purchased by the town and village jointly. Eric said he doesn't recall. Brian S. said he believes it was the village that purchased it. Nat said he recalls that the purchase was a Sandy Miller initiative. There was a lot of conversation about it at the time. He said he would recommend using the library's projector if Jeanne is willing. Jeanne said the projector is available whenever Brian needs it. She is not sure what programming the library will have this summer. She doesn't think they will be using the projector. She doesn't see a problem with him borrowing it for as long as he needs it.

6. *Library Flood Gates*

Brian S. said the library board has asked for a little more time before Brian makes a recommendation on flood gates. They think they may be able to fabricate something after all. They are looking into what the cost and time associated with that would be. They are talking to the public works department and a couple of carpenters.

Brian K. said he would have to look a little deeper into price and ability. He figured the cost would be roughly \$2000 for aluminum plates to screw onto the wall.

Eric said we ought to involve the engineer from FEMA who had some easy, cheap solutions he thought we could fabricate ourselves. He made it sound like it would be very simple to do.

Jeanne Engel said she has been in touch with Duncan Hastings. He may have also met with the same engineer. He was going to get in touch with an aluminum welder or Brian K. to see if they could fabricate a door.

7. *Road Conditions and Maintenance*

Brian S. said he wants to make sure everyone understands the current road conditions are the result of the time when we were not allowed to do work we would normally do early in the year. For a good portion of March and April we were prevented from having a full crew working and even with a partial crew the kinds of activities we could do were restricted.

Regular spring maintenance was not considered an essential activity for most of that time. We also found out that wages are not reimbursable from disaster assistance. We had at one time hoped we would recover money we could use to pay overtime but that didn't come through. We are trying to catch up with regular hours. Things are improving. We are catching up.

Brian K. said he still has some overtime hours to use. He has been using some of them for grading. Depending on the operator's availability, he will work late this week as well, trying to catch up.

Eric said it would appear we are on track for this year and could probably authorize the overtime Brian needs until July 1 and not put the town in a bad situation, right? Rosemary said she thinks it would be fine. Eric asked how many hours we have left. Brian K. said he guesses it is probably around 75 hours.

Mike said some other towns must have been in violation of orders. Their graders were on the road. Brian said they may have been but our interpretation of the state requirements was that regular spring maintenance was not permitted. Eric said there was pretty strict language that we could do just what was needed to keep roads open and safe. Nat said the emergency management group has been very serious and listening very closely to the Vermont Department of Health and the governor's office on how to respond to the situation. Mike said it is odd that some groups were allowed to continue and some were not. Doug said when lines are drawn in an emergency you get these situations. He feels our government has done an excellent job.

Rob Rodriguez said he is on the Planning Commission and they did an inventory of Class 3 and Class 4 roads. They made recommendations about what roads to change to trails and submitted that to the selectboard. During that process they stumbled onto Lendway Lane being partially a Class 4 road. He dug into that more. According to state maps, the Class 2 portion of Railroad Street ends somewhere between the rail trail crossing and Reservoir Road. Then it travels .46 miles and turns to Class 4. The road bend a little past the rec building and the firefighter training building is where the Class 3 portion ends and it turns to Class 4. He understands the town needs to maintain access to the area where sand, rocks and wood chips are stored but he is not sure why the town is maintaining so much of a road the town is not getting paid for. He lives on a Class 4 road that is not being maintained. He is not sure why that road is getting special treatment.

Eric said that does not match his recollection about Lendway Lane. His recollection is that it turns from Class 3 to Class 4 just beyond the last crossing of the railroad bed. He is not sure where Rob is getting that data from. He believes the town equipment goes a short distance on the Class 4 part before turning around but nearly all of Lendway Lane should be Class 3.

Rob said that is not the way it reads on the state map. Brian said the map in the office shows that the road is Class 3 until about a mile past the village. Eric said that would put it around the area he recollects. Doug said he remembers the town reclassifying the road to the Lendway residence or close to it as Class 3.

Nat suggested having Brian S. and Brian K. research it. Brian S. said they will.

8. *Park Dedications*

Brian said the current rec committee and past rec committee members recommend dedicating the Old Mill Park soccer fields to Tim Sullivan to honor the years of work he put in there and dedicating the pirate ship and children's playground to Heather Rodriguez, who worked hard to develop it. They would like to put in a new bench, picnic tables, or a play structure (to be determined) to honor Heather.

Nat said both people are very deserving and very hard working. They have done an incredible amount for recreation in our community.

Mike moved to dedicate the Old Mill Park soccer fields to Tim Sullivan and to dedicate the Old Mill Park children's playground to Heather Rodriguez as recommended by the Recreation Committee, Doug seconded and the motion was passed.

9. *Expanding Community Garden*

Brian said the community garden is seeing increased use and people are having increased needs. Grocery store food prices have increased. There is a lot of interest in getting more out of the community garden. And if we have more space there it can help spread people out for social distancing. Rick Aupperlee has requested that we consider expanding the garden.

Rick said he is not saying the expanded space will be filled up this year; he is just asking for permission. There is only one spot available in the current site. If he can line up help and equipment he would like to plow the section toward Wescom Road. The newly plowed area wouldn't be any bigger than the current site already is. The garden would be extended toward Wescom Road along Romero Drive. If it is not used it could be reseeded in the fall and go back to lawn.

Nat said he thinks that would be great as long as it is worked out with the skate park committee. Brian said it will be expanded away from the skate park and terrain park. He doesn't anticipate any conflicts. Nat said he thinks it would be courteous to ask the skate park committee just to make sure there is no issue. Rick said he will run it by Casey Romero.

The board agreed the community garden can be expanded as requested.

10. *Future Plans for Recreation Needs*

Brian said he wants to make it clear this item is something in the really early planning process. No decisions are being made and nothing is changing for years into the future. He is just gathering information and board feedback. Do we want to make arrangements for Lisa Crews, as our employee, to be able to get onto our insurance so she might be able to use the town truck when it is not in use?

Lisa said she came to Brian looking to gather information. She doesn't have a need for a vehicle very often but occasionally it would be nice to have a truck other than her personal vehicle to use for moving equipment or dirty things. She and Brian S. discussed whether that is something she would schedule time for Brian K. and his crew to do or if it would serve us better for her to be on the town insurance policy and able to use a town vehicle when the

town crew was not using it. And it was discussed that maybe years down the line the rec department would get a vehicle. She and Brian want to figure out what makes the most sense right now when she needs a vehicle – getting Brian K.'s help or having her be a driver on the town insurance policy.

Eric said he wouldn't want to see the day when Brian's truck is going to become a dedicated vehicle for recreation but if we had it as a town vehicle so any employee could use it if there were a need that could be helpful. For instance, our constable, Tracy, has a very small car with no cage barrier so she wasn't able to pick up the vicious dog. Sheriff's deputies with a cage in the car had to transport it. If we had a vehicle that had a cage in the back she could transport a vicious dog. And if officials needed to go to a training somewhere they could take the town vehicle instead of a personal vehicle.

Nat asked when Brian's truck is due to be traded in. Brian said in FY23.

Doug we trade vehicles when we think maintenance costs will be too large if we keep them. It is not always a good deal when we hang onto a vehicle. Brian said it would not be free. There is a highway reserve fund dedicated to public works vehicles. He thinks we would have to reimburse that fund for the expense if we were going to change the use of the truck. Eric said we would have to make up the difference for the trade-in value. Doug said we trade in vehicles when it makes fiscal sense. Brian said if we change the truck's use it would not see as much use as it does as a public works truck. Use would be lighter. But there is a pretty good chance it wouldn't make sense to buy that truck for other town use because it is much heavier duty than the vehicle that would usually be used for those jobs.

Doug said for now it seems that Lisa has jobs she needs to do for which she would request public works help or she would become a driver on our insurance policy. That is a different question than the question of keeping Brian's truck when its scheduled life is done. Brian S. agreed. We need to figure out how much our insurance would increase if we added Lisa as driver, how often she would need the town truck and how compatible that would be with public works department use. Doug thinks we ought to keep in mind the rec department's needs and balance them with the needs of the town.

Mike said the meeting agenda that goes to the website is cursory. If a person in the community saw this item on the agenda they would think it was innocuous. They would not see the additional information that is in the administrator's report. He thinks we should be putting the town administrator's report out for everyone to see up front so they would have a better idea what we are going to be discussing.

Nat said the agenda has to be posted legally on bulletin boards around town. The administrator's report can be quite lengthy and is not something we can post on a bulletin board. He thinks having a one-pager is necessary, but he doesn't see a problem with putting the administrator's report online with the agenda. The agenda and administrator's report gets emailed out to anyone who asks for it. Mike said putting the link on the town website would be perfect. Eric said he agrees that having it posted where it won't cost extra money makes sense. The legal posting on bulletin boards should be a short one page agenda. But there is no

extra work to put the whole report on the website. Brian suggested posting the whole selectboard packet with background reading instead of just the administrator's report. Mike said that would be perfect. Eric agreed. Doug said he thinks that is a good idea.

Rob Rodriguez said in the past if the rec department had something large to move like indoor soccer goals they would typically find a parent to do it and make a donation in return to the 5th/6th grade class trip. It was a way for kids to earn money for the trip. It only happened 2 or 3 times a year. Eric said that is a good idea. Brian agreed.

11. Child Protection Policy Update

Lisa said we are currently doing a background check that doesn't meet current standards for background checks in the US. The background checks need to be more thorough. The elementary school searches through 3 agencies in its background checks. Principal David Manning has agreed to let us use the results of the background checks the school has already run, which will apply to most people who want to be coaches. We might want to look into having a professional service do our background checks in the future. There will be fees for that. In the short term we will associate with the elementary school and she has paperwork in for her and Brian to be able to do a broader search in the state system. Brian said Lisa applied for us to be able to do a more comprehensive search, in line with what the school is currently doing. We will either use the school or run an independent search for the handful of people who don't also volunteer at the school. The number of people is manageable now. In the future we might think about hiring the task out to a professional company that does a nationwide background check that would be updated every month. That would be extremely comprehensive.

Nat said he thinks this is great. When we talked about a child protection policy in the past it was about more than background checks. It was about community conduct, especially volunteer conduct, to protect children. Brian said we are looking at some additional programs for that. We are looking at additional trainings for coaches and volunteers to be able to do interventions and keep an eye out for when interventions are needed. We are also updating policies about who is picking up kids, who is working one on one with kids, etc.

Lisa said an act was recently passed by Congress that says we need to be doing coach training to create awareness that they need to report any suspicion of child abuse. We need to create a system for them to report. We are working on building all that now.

12. COVID-19 Update

Brian said the selectboard has seen the return-to-work policy for town employees. We are going to be doing a revisit on this over next couple of days. It codifies that town employees should wear masks at all times at work except in areas where it is guaranteed they will not interact with others. We are limiting the number of employees in the garage. Concept2 and the Lamoille Family Center donated masks and hand sanitizer. We have thermometers on order. We will use them to conduct screenings each day. Now employees are required to take their temperature at home and report temperatures over 100.4. He and Meredith are designing a similar document for the office. They have a couple of questions out to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development and they will refine the policy over the next couple of days.

The meal pickup on May 22 will be at the high school, not the airport. In addition, we secured an additional 20 cases of MRE's from Vermont Emergency Management for us to distribute. They will be delivered to the municipal building so we can store them temporarily on the second floor. He doesn't know when we will get them.

Jeanne Engel wondered if the town had a policy about wearing masks in town buildings and if so, if we could have the same requirement for the library when it reopens. Brian feels a similar policy is going to be the best solution for the library. We are allowed to require masks for anyone present. That is our requirement for the town office. He would recommend that for the library. Jeanne said she agrees. It would be easier if it were a town policy, not just a library policy.

Brian said the skate park is open. Playground structures are closed. We are revisiting those frequently but they remain high risk areas. Most places that are opening them appear to be opening them because they lack other activities for children and families to do. That doesn't seem to fit us so we don't feel it is worth the risk locally.

Nat said he thinks one of the biggest impacts will be budgetary. State revenue shortfalls will hit us hard and we need to be prepared. Brian said starting hopefully at the next meeting he would like to start reviewing impacts of COVID-19 on the FY21 budget.

Nat said one of our big sources of state funding is PILOT, which is funded through local option tax, a sales tax. He wonders if we can get a comparison to last year's sales tax revenues. Brian said what he is getting is mostly in conversation with other managers. He is not aware of anyone who has great data on this, but the estimate is that PILOT will lose a lot of money. He is anticipating a shortfall of 10 to 20% of our total budget. Doug said Dan Noyes said there is someone in state government he can get sales tax numbers from. Brian said he will reach out to Dan about that.

Mike said with the sales tax he thinks we can be cautiously optimistic. A lot of big companies like eBay and Amazon charge Vermont sales tax. A lot of Amazon packages are being delivered. A tremendous amount of revenue is coming from online shopping. Eric said that is right, but that sales tax goes to the state. The sales tax we get is from communities that have a local option tax on businesses physically located in their community. Another source is rooms and meals and we know they will be significantly hurt. He is not optimistic that we will get a lot of PILOT money. The state does not contribute to PILOT money.

Brian said he is doing research on Community Disaster Loans. That sounds like a good program for us. It is a FEMA loan administered by the state for short term revenue shortfall like what we lose from PILOT or other state contributions. Loans can be forgiven in part or whole if shortfalls continue. He will have more data at the next meeting.

13. NVU Update

Brian thanked Beth Foy for all her work on the letter we put out regarding NVU. He signed it but it was Beth's work and she did a great job. The board thanked Beth.

Nat said Beth is also one of Johnson's representatives on the NVU committee tasked with reimagining the future of NVU. Beth said the first few meetings of the committee were spent understanding the current situation. In the next few meetings they will be working on figuring out types of proposals the president will be able to propose to the VSC board. One thing that is a little different than she expected is that it is less about the distant future and more about the near future. With COVID-19 disrupting the financial situation and student life, more immediate decisions need to be made.

Eric asked if there is any word on Elaine Collins' job offer. Nat said she said today on VPR that a decision has not been made yet.

Nat said the NVU Thrive Committee is a committee put together by Elaine Collins' administration. Scott had asked if a Planning Commission member could take part. That is their decision. Beth and Isaac Eddy are on the committee. Beth said committee members are primarily NVU employees with 2 representatives from Lamoille County and 2 from the Northeast Kingdom.

Brian said there was a comment in the chat suggesting that the town set up a group discussing options for NVU's future and post NVU. Are we interested?

Mike said "post NVU" sounds like NVU is gone. Kim Dunkley, who had sent the chat message, said she doesn't know if anyone is looking at what would happen if NVU closed and how to look into State of Vermont options for the campus. It would be nice to have a Planning Commission member, possibly a selectboard member and anyone from the community to brainstorm ideas.

Mike said if NVU did completely close you would think the state would be smart enough to consolidate some other entities like those that are in Morrisville now and probably pay huge rents. But sometimes the state has to be pushed along. It might be a good idea to have things all set up to spoon feed them. Kim said or even to find out who the appropriate state contact is and whether they are working on it. Mike said he thinks we need to plan. He sees Kim's point.

Doug said he thinks that is at cross purposes with the NVU committee. If that committee reaches a conclusion that this campus is not sustainable then we could ask them where they see it then. He doesn't like to have two tracks at the same time.

Eric said there will be 2 tracks. NVU has this committee and the legislature will be starting its own committee to look at state colleges. But that one will be more long term.

14. Merger Report Update

Brian said the town's comments and the village's comments have both been sent to Kent Gardner. CGR has taken on some additional duties consulting on COVID-19 and we are not Kent's highest priority so we will be waiting a little. We have requested more information. Some changes were requested and Brian's response to some of the requests was that he wanted more information from Kent. He is not sure if some things in the report are incorrect

because he is not sure how Kent arrived at his numbers. He wants more data to determine if the report is right or not.

15. School Merger Discussion

Brian said especially with the discussions about school budgets we have to keep an eye on how we are going to address this. If the school budget is revoked he thinks this will rapidly rise in importance to the community. Eric said the vote at town meeting was only advisory. As of right now it still would require a town meeting, which is not advisable for us to do now.

Nat said his thinking on this is conflicted. The voters asked us to do this, which generally makes it a high priority for the selectboard. But we can't do it now because of COVID-19. It is unlikely that anything will change about having large gatherings for the next year. Are we prepared to delay this until the next town meeting and not do what the voters asked us to do?

Eric said there was an assumption that there would be a fairly quick turnaround but we didn't know where we would be today. He doesn't think it is unreasonable that we have not acted on it yet.

Nat said it sounds like we are comfortable postponing this indefinitely. Brian said his recommendation is that when we are able to have a townwide meeting we should make this a priority but until we can have a townwide meeting it has to wait. The board agreed.

16. Industrial Park Update

Brian said he and Seth Jensen are working with Tyler Mumley at Ruggiano on updating the budget for the industrial park project. The village asked us to include an estimate for booster pumps as they might be needed. Ruggiano isn't charging us for Tyler Mumley's time.

Some board members questioned why booster pumps would be needed. Scott Meyer said Meredith's letter said a study hasn't been done so she is concerned. He would agree with that.

Brian said Meredith also included a question about wastewater. Eric said that shouldn't be a problem because it is downhill but depending on the tenants it could require a booster. Scott said if we got a brewery we would have to be prepared for that. Our wastewater treatment plant would be impacted.

17. Lamoille County Sheriff's Department Report April 2020

The sheriff's department report was emailed out.

Scott said this morning in the 11:00 call there was discussion about an incident where a person tried to get into someone's car at Sterling Market. This person is becoming a menace to our community. Eric said Roger Marcoux is also frustrated, as is the state's attorney. This person was picked up a day or two ago and the state's attorney asked the judge to lock him up because there are ongoing issues with him but the judge said they are not able to do that at this time. The sheriff and the state's attorney realize there is risk someone will get hurt or do something to the person. Nat said he thinks we need to keep up the pressure.

18. Broadband Update

Doug said Lea Kilvadyova had a Zoom meeting on May 13 with a county wide committee that has involvement from Wolcott, Cambridge, Johnson and Waterville. Four or five members of Johnson's broadband committee participated. Another meeting is being scheduled for May 27. The Johnson broadband committee is scheduling a meeting for May 21. Lea has been testifying in the House of Representatives. There is a lot of action on this that may help Johnson with funding.

Lea said she will be joining the Johnson broadband committee at their meeting on Thursday to provide an update. Broadband has been main thing Lea has been working on. There has been a lot of activity at the state level on short term and long term solutions. She has been involved primarily with long term solutions. A communications union district is an important mechanism that can facilitate buildout of infrastructure with the type of technology that will last us for a while. We currently have about 5 CUDs in the state and Lamoille County is potentially very well poised to create one with the towns that have been working with LCPC for the past year. Right now a special town meeting is not an option and that is an obstacle to forming a CUD. It needs to be done at a town meeting by public vote. There is a movement in the legislature to allow creation of a CUD during emergency times by vote of the selectboard. That initiative has come out of Lamoille County. Lucy Rogers has been helping it gain momentum. Lea testified on the subject to the House Committee on Government Operations. She understands there is a good amount of support for this bill and it is very likely to be voted on by the House this Friday. If it passes, that removes a fundamental obstacle to creating a CUD. She believes a CUD is a good structure that Lamoille towns should think hard about helping to create. Communications union districts are a creation of the state. There are meetings at the state level about how to give them financial, administrative and legal support. There are discussions about the districts cooperating to go for federal funds as early as this October. The Rural Digital Opportunity fund will disperse a large amount of money. There are areas in Johnson eligible for this funding source. There could potentially be a statewide application with CUD's partnering with an ISP bidding on our behalf.

Doug said we are very fortunate this is moving ahead. We are the only district that hasn't been formed yet that is involved with this statewide initiative. He thinks we should move on it if an opportunity forms.

19. Selectboard Issues/Concerns

Eric asked if the Armstrong dog got euthanized. Brian said it did.

20. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14.