

Town of Johnson
Town Administrator's Report

1. Consider additions or adjustments and approving agenda
 - a. There are no known additions at this time.
2. Review invoices and orders
3. Consider approving Minutes for February 5th, 2023
 - a. Decision, the minutes look accurate from 2/5/23
4. Selectboard issues and concerns
5. Planned Purchases for consideration
 - a. Plow Cutting Edges
 - i. Decision, Jason would like to purchase new cutting edges for two of the plows. This time of year the cutting edges are generally less expensive than in the fall after price increases. These will be used for next winter.
6. CCB License
 - a. Decision, We have one more Cannabis Control Board License. Rosemary will be bringing the license to the meeting.
7. FEMA IRC Community Assistance – Introduction
 - a. Information, Randall has connected with FEMA IRC Community Assistance. Sam Young will be making a presentation to talk about how his team can work with Johnson to assist in making a flood recovery plan if the Board chooses to make one.
8. Road Weight Limits
 - a. Decision, To Post or not To Post...that is the question. Jason has laid out where he would like to post the roads for Mud Season. See attached on the 2023 highway map. Although we can limit commercial traffic, there will still be overweight vehicles driving on these roads...agricultural trucks, fuel trucks, emergency vehicles, etc. I'm not confident that posting truly protects the roads. I think the board needs to balance the administrative burden, verbal and written complaints, and enforcement...vs...do nothing. Just fix the roads as needed. Let the sugar makers sugar, the loggers log, the concrete trucks pour, and turn our message into supporting the local economy through additional grading and gravel.
9. Municipal Building and Library repair contract
 - a. Possible Decision, At this time we have sent a contract to the contractor for review and signatures. I'm hoping for a signed copy to be present at the meeting for the board to sign. We are getting closer to putting the municipal building back together. This is only for the inside of the building and not for mitigation for future flood events. That part of the project has not been approved by FEMA yet.

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10. Review and Approve Buyout Applications

- a. Decision, We have one buyout application ready for approval. There is a strong possibility of a second one before the meeting on Wednesday. The team at LEARN and LCPC is really killing it!

11. Town Meeting Preparation and Planning

- a. Discussion, Possible Decision, Town meeting is just a few weeks away! This is to organize and plan for this year's town meeting. So far, the budget appears to be well received. The articles on constable and merger should have well versed answers. Possibly others.

12. Appointments to Tuesday Night Live Committee

- a. Decision, I've received two appointments from Howard Romero. They are Charles Flaum and Geoff Hollis.

13. Sponsoring the Public Service Award and banquet

- a. Decision, Eric Osgood has requested the board sponsor a public service award and banquet that is hosted by the 6th graders. Historically the Secretary of State has come to Johnson to present awards to individuals who have served or volunteered for more than 20 years for the Town of Johnson. The specific ask is to "sponsor this event, decide on a venue, authorize the expenditure for the banquet, and ask Rosemary for office personal help to identify individuals meeting the qualifications for submission to the Secretary of State's office. Additionally, authorization for invitations to be sent out to those meeting the qualifications."

14. Holcomb House Proposal Review and Approval

- a. Decision, The board asked for a review and more information at the last meeting. In learning more the Historical Society never signed on behalf of the town. It is my recommendation to approve this proposal and move forward with the work. The historical society has done their due diligence to find a contractor, approach the board, and are awaiting approval.

15. Form PVR 4155 Certificate of No Appeal or Suit Pending

- a. Decision, The board needs to sign verifying that there is no appeal or suit pending for the Grand List year of 2023.



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No Charge Freight						
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TOJ Administrator-Shared Mailbox

From: Community and Economic Development Specialist
Sent: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 8:19 AM
To: TOJ Administrator-Shared Mailbox
Cc: Select Board
Subject: Agenda Item for 2/21
Attachments: Waterbury Vermont-Long Term Community Recovery Plan.pdf

I would like to have Sam Young introduce himself to the Selectboard at the 2/21 meeting. I worked with Sam in the VT legislature and met with him in his new role at FEMA. There is a potential nexus between his work and the Climate Economy Resilient Communities program from VCRD. If we decide to use VCRD to facilitate a flood recovery plan, Sam would be an important resource. Or, depending on what Sam is able to do on his own, it may be that we work with VCRD in a different way.

More context from Sam (his referenced Waterbury document is attached) :

I work with FEMA IRC Community Assistance. We are tasked with helping towns plan for and provide support for Long Term Recovery Planning. This is separate than the work that is being done to help individual homeowners recover or from Public Assistance which replaces damaged infrastructure. In Waterbury after Tropical Storm Irene IRC helped put together Waterbury's Recovery Plan (See attached). Whether the town wants to put together a full recovery plan or just has a couple of projects that they identify that they would like support putting together the resources for, that is what I am here to do. The idea is that the recovery is locally led and that we bring in support to help achieve the goals set forth by the town.

The mission of Interagency Recovery Coordination is to effectively, efficiently, and equitably support states and local governments to define and achieve their recovery outcomes.

IRC functional lines of effort:

1. Engage affected state, territory, tribal nation, and local stakeholders to help them communicate their needs, objectives, and priorities for recovery.
2. Coordinate post-disaster recovery resources to support restoration, rebuilding, and revitalization across all sectors of impacted states, territories, tribal nations, and localities.
3. Identify resources that support unmet recovery needs and objectives; assist communities in navigating and sequencing interagency programs; and provide technical assistance to ensure equitable access to recovery resources.
4. Provide planning and data analysis assistance to states, territories, tribal nations, and local communities to support risk-informed strategic decision-making.

Randall Szott
Community and Economic Development Specialist
Town of Johnson

TOJ Administrator-Shared Mailbox

From: eric osgood <eto1@outlook.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2024 6:50 PM
To: Eben Patch
Cc: Rosemary Audibert; Duncan Hastings; Mark Wordward; Shayne Spence; Beth Foy; TOJ Administrator-Shared Mailbox
Subject: Vermont Public Service Award

Eben,
I have cc'd the rest of the board for informational purposes.

The Ask: The Town to sponsor a Service Award banquet for the qualified recipients and their guest. In the past this was a spaghetti dinner put together by the 6th graders.

What is: Public Service Award was started by Secretary of State Deb Markowitz. Every five years, the Vermont **Public Service Award** program honors individuals who have served as elected or appointed officials or as fire and rescue workers, with 20 or more years of service, and are currently serving.

As Johnson has so many individuals with 20 or more years, in years past the Secretary of State has come to Johnson to make the presentations at our banquet. I have spoken with Secretary Copeland-Hanzas, she would be delighted to come and make such presentations here in Johnson.

We had the first award presentations on March 23, 2010, and the second presentation on April 2, 2015. As we were due for another in 2020 a little thing called COVID hit us. So we are now well overdue for an award presentation along with the thanks and recognition to those who serve our community.

Does anyone volunteer for 20 years to get a certificate? Not likely, it is the gesture of appreciation to those individuals who have given so much for so long that the Town has gratitude for and expressing through an evening of recognition.

I am asking that the Selectboard would sponsor this event, decide on a venue, authorize the expenditure for the banquet, and ask Rosemary for office personal help to identify individuals meeting the qualifications for submission to the Secretary of State's office. Additionally authorization for invitations to be sent out to those meeting the qualifications.

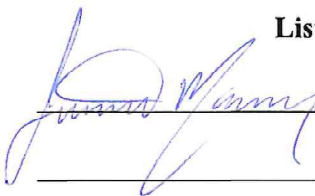
I would be happy to come to a Board meeting to answer any questions that you or others may have. Below is a graph of my service for illustration of the different hats' folks do wear and qualify for recognition. Even those who may have non-sequential years, if the total equals 20 and they are currently serving they qualify. It is not cumulative in the sense if you serve in more than one capacity per year this still only counts as 1 year. My service would be from 1987 to present, a Dave Williams or Gordy Smith would be since dirt was invented to present.

I hope this has been helpful,
Thanks,
Eric

Form PVR-4155
CERTIFICATE - NO APPEAL OR SUIT PENDING

We hereby certify that on this date there are not any appeals pending from action of the Listers nor suits pending to recover taxes paid under protest relating to the April 1, 2023 grand list of Johnson, Vermont.

Given under our hands at Johnson in the County of Lamoille, State of Vermont, this 15 day of February, 2024.

Listers	Selectboard
<div style="font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em; margin-bottom: 5px;">  </div> <p style="margin: 0;">James Minny - Assessor 2/15/24</p>	

Attested this _____ day of _____, _____.

_____, Town Clerk

Attach to final grand list lodged with the town clerk.

32 V.S.A. § 4155. Certificate and attestation - No appeal or suit pending
 When no statutory appeal as provided by law from the appraisal of the listers and no suit to recover taxes paid under protest is pending on the first Tuesday of February following such lodgment, the selectboard and listers of a town or the mayor and assessors of a city shall endorse a certificate to that effect upon the grand list and the same shall be attested by the town or city clerk with the date of such attestation.

32 V.S.A. § 4156. After appeal and suit determined
 When any such appeal or suit is then pending, such certificate shall be made as soon as such appeal or suit has been finally determined.

32 V.S.A. § 4157. Effect of such certificate
 From the date of endorsing such certificate upon the grand list as aforesaid to the effect that no such appeal or suit is pending, when offered in evidence in any court in this state, such list shall be received as a legal grand list of such town or city and its validity shall not be put in issue by any party to any action in any hearing or trial in any court.