## Minutes of Selectboard Meeting February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Present at meeting:** Selectboard members: Aaron Korzun, Marc Cimonetti, Francis Wyatt. Administrative Assistant: Megan White. Planning Commissioners: Laura Black and Mellissa Reichert. Transportation planner for the Rutland Regional Planning Commission: Ethan Pepien. Delinquent Tax Collector: Steven Nicholson. Town Clerk: Rebecca Rice. Planning commission Spring Lake Ranch Nathan Hewitt

## The meeting was convened at 6:30 PM.

**Agenda**: Motion made by A. Korzun to follow the agenda with the following additions: Work in the Row Permit for Allard Lumber. Four excess weight permits for Veilleux & Son Trucking, Demag Riggers & Crane services, Markowski Excavating, and Velco. A. Korzun makes a motion to accept the changes to the agenda. F. Wyatt Seconded. Approved.

Regional Plan Update: Ethan Pepien from the Rutland Reginal Planning Commission announces the undertaking of a big survey effort that is taking place. This survey will be posted online and for towns to take part in. Towns/individuals input on what they value the strengths and assets are. Rutland Reginal Planning Commission will be fully updating the document for the first time in several years the new document is a big undertaking and is planned to be completed in 2026. Not just for the towns but for the entire Rutland County region area. Anyone is welcome to attend!

**Planning Commission**: Community Values Mapping Event set for April 27<sup>th</sup> 3-5 pm. This event is to gather data by allowing individuals to mark up and input special town landmarks, historical properties, events like the concert series, or even land they feel passionate about to see protected. This event will be a wonderful way for the planning Commission to get individual town members input not to mention the rather exciting visualization as each of the Ten maps fill up with markings. Shrewsbury's Planning Commission says a town event like this has not taken place since 2012. Marked up maps many for different topics will be laid out on tables to help visualize. This info will then need to be digitized into GIS.

The Planning Commission's 2024 budget already reflects the expenses related to this project.

A. Korzon makes a motion to support the Community Values Mapping Event F. Wyatt seconds. Approved

**Digitize Land Records Project Update**: Images will be up and running soon. Next step is to send out the older bound books #1-17. Our bound books are fully insured along with having a microfiche copy as a backup for added security.

**Glebe Lots**: The Town of Shrewsbury in 1984 signed a lease with the state of Vermont for two 100 acre lots located near the top of Shrewsbury peak at \$15 a parcel per year. There was one year Shrewsbury did not receive payment. A vote took place to terminate this lease with the State. The only way for Shrewsbury to terminate the lease is for the State to first fail to make payment which did happen. The Selectboard is interested in looking into this matter further. Tonight, we started this discussion and mentioned looking into the legal

logistics of this lease agreement. The Selectboard does not want to give the State the land and wants what is best for the Town.

**Town Meeting 2024**: Shrewsbury Town Clerk Rebecca Rice informs us all is rolling along right on schedule. Ballots are scheduled to be in as of February 14<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business/ Open to the public**: Nathan Hewitt the logistics manager for The Spring Lake Ranch joins us to discuss the Ranch's plans to expand, update older buildings to code, and add a few additional small buildings. The Spring Lake Ranch needs to file an Act 250 permit for theses several projects. The Shrewsbury Selectboard sees no reason not to support the Spring Lake Ranch as they begin to move forward with their planning and preparations.

Work in Row Permit for Allard Lumber: 50-acre lot located on Gainer Road will be most likely to be completed in two winters. The Gaynor Road currently has a temporary skidder bridge put in place by landowner Mr. Lucien. Being a town road the Selectboard members bring up the need for a more permanent bridge. The thought is to investigate the possibility of installing a waste block bridge combined with timbers laid across. Gaynor Road would be left in the same or better condition that it was found in. Project would start on February 8th, 2024, and needs to end by March 31st, 2024. Jamie Carrara advises Selectboard to be sure the logging permit ends no later than March 31st, 2024. Each Spring is different, and we will not know if roads will be posted come April 1st or April 15th. The Selectboard also states in the permit that if the roads should thaw and soften on any day between February 8th and March 31st, due to warm temperatures work is to cease until roads are firm. Any work for next winter will require another request for a work permit.

A. Korzun makes a motion to accept the work for the right of way for Allard Lumber.

M. Cimonetti seconds. Approved

**Four Excess Trucking Permits:** Veilleux & Sons trucking, Demag Riggers & Crane Services, Markowski Excavating, and Velco.

A. Korzun makes a motion to accept the trucking permits. M. Cimonetti seconds. Approved.

A. Korzun makes a motion to authorize the treasurer to borrow from the line of credit as needed. F. Wyatt Seconded. Approved.

**Review Minutes**: A. Korzun made a motion to accept 1/17/2024 and 1/29/2024 Selectboard meeting minutes. Seconded by M. Cimonetti. Approved.

**Review Orders**: F. Wyatt made a motion to approve Selectboard Orders #2 for \$8742.51 and Road Orders #2 for \$29,422.27 Seconded by M. Cimonetti. Approved

Adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

## Megan White

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Selectboard at the next scheduled meeting.