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Regular Selectboard Meeting, November 18, 2024

6:30 PM Adjustments to the Agenda -

8:05 - Discussion, and possible action on two draft requests for proposals for the Repair of the Skating Rink Electrical Box and Installation of a Storage Shed at CCS will not be heard tonight

8:05 - Update to Planning & Zoning Office Hours

6:31 PM Approve Warrants to Pay Bills - Warrants approved without Issue

6:35 PM Selectboard Updates:

Update on the Spear Street Repairs: Selectboard will host a special meeting on 11/19 to open bids from contractors for the slide damage on Spear Street. A second special meeting will be held on 11/20 to review and potentially approve a bid. Permits have been received to begin the culvert repair and the town is on track for a 12/1 start to repair work. Myra Handy clarified that there will be 2 culverts in the Spear Street repair, each the size of the original culvert, placed side by side.

Natalie Kanner: Update on the Inclusivity Working Group, the group has held their first meeting and plans to host the 2nd meeting on 12/11 in the Library.

6:40 PM Public Comment - No public comment

6:45 PM Discussion, and possible action, on a funding request for the Charlotte Villages Planning Project by the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission and Dubois & King -

The Selectboard discussed a request by CCRPC for an additional \$757 toward the Village Master Planning project. The requested funds will cover overage costs incurred to Dubois & King for their extra efforts during the outreach process. The Charlotte Planning Commission met previously and recommended that the Selectboard approve this request. Darren Schibler of CCRPC spoke to provide explanation and answer questions. With the requested funds, the

CCRPC will ensure that the Land Use Regulations are drafted and delivered to the town. This allows the town to meet their obligations per the terms of the bylaw modernization grant and avoid fees or penalties for failure to comply. The Selectboard approved the request for an additional \$757.

6:55 PM Preliminary Budget Presentations: Preliminary budgets were received and presented from

1. Charlotte Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service
2. Charlotte Public Library
3. Charlotte Recreation Department
4. Lewis Creek Association
5. Conservation Commission
6. Trails Committee

7:55 PM Discussion, and possible action, on amending Section(s) the Town of Charlotte's Motor Vehicle and Traffic Regulation Ordinance

The Selectboard heard public input on the Ferry Road speed limit. They took no action on the matter at this time.

8:05 PM Adjusted Agenda: Discussion on revised Planning & Zoning Office Hours -

The Planning & Zoning office will change their hours such that the office will be open for normal business hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and by appointment only on Monday and Friday.

8:15 PM Opening, and possible action, on snowplowing bids for the Town Hall, Library, and Park & Wildlife Refuge

The Town received one bid from Fortin's Lawn Care for snowplowing at the Library and Town Hall. The bid did not include snow plowing at the Park & Wildlife Refuge. This bid was accepted.

8:20 PM Discussion, and possible action, on a contract with REPRO for printing the 2024 Town Report

The Selectboard approved a contract with REPRO to print 150 copies of the 2024 Town Report.

8:25 PM Discussion of Town Meeting location for 2024 -

A straw vote of 4-1 reflected support for holding the 2025 Town Meeting at Charlotte Central School as is consistent with previous years.

8:30 PM Update on Negotiations with AFSCME Local 93 -

The town and its legal representative continue to move forward with the union negotiations. The next step is to set a date to meet with the AFSCME representative. A mid-December date is proposed. Discussions are underway with the library to further clarify their role and authorities regarding their staff. Lewis Mudge and Kelly Devine are the representatives for the town and its employees for union negotiations with the support of the Town Administrator.

8:40 PM Discussion, and possible action, on implementing a consent agenda for future Selectboard meetings

A consent agenda was informally adopted for future Selectboard meetings.

8:45 PM Discussion, and possible action, on a Wastewater Agreement between the Town of Charlotte and Roland & Lisa Gaujac.

This agreement was approved

8:55 PM Meeting Minutes for October 7, 2024, October 21, 2024 and November 4, 2024

Minutes were approved

9:00 PM Adjournment

Special Selectboard Meeting November 19, 2024

5:30 PM Call to Order

5:31 PM Opening of bids for the Spear Street Slope Repair -

The Selectboard opened 10 bids for the slope repair on Spear Street. This work will be paid through emergency funding if completed by April 6, 2025 and the town is required to move forward with the lowest qualified bidder. The lowest three bids were as follows:

Dirt Tech LLC - \$271,644.00

Kubricky-Jointa Lime - \$394,990.00

J. Hutchins, Inc - \$436,781.50

6:30 PM Adjournment

Special Selectboard Meeting November 20, 2024

5:30 PM Call to Order

5:31 PM Discussion, and possible action, on bids for the Spear Street Slope Repair -

As the lowest bidder, The Selectboard and Dave Marshall of Civil Engineering Associates met with representatives from Dirt Tech LLC to determine their qualifications and course of action for slope repair on Spear Street. The Selectboard approved the contract with DirtTech LLC for this work.

6:30 PM Adjournment