

Starksboro Selectboard Meeting

March 5, 2025

Unapproved

Board members present: Carin McCarthy, David Schmidt, Eric Cota, Tony Porter

Board members absent: Koran Cousino

Others present: Amanda Vincent – Town Administrator, Amy McCormick – Town Clerk

Eric Cota called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. at the Starksboro Town Clerk's office.

Review agenda: None.

Public comment: None.

Eric Cota welcomed Tony Porter back to the Selectboard.

Meeting schedule: 1st & 3rd Tuesdays at 5:30pm

Meeting location: Town Clerk's office and Zoom

Physical posting locations: Town Clerk's office, Post office, Jerusalem Country Store

Newspaper of record: Addison Independent

Motion: Carin McCarthy nominated Koran Cousino as Chair. David Schmidt seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion: Carin McCarthy nominated Eric Cota as Vice Chair. David Schmidt seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Current Business:

Action: Ali Thompson to look into the negative due to/due from balance and if that's normal.

Action: Ali Thompson to look into if VLCT dues have already been paid.

Action: Ali Thompson to look into if Workers Comp Insurance has been paid. The % is low for where we are at.

Action: Amanda Vincent, Josh Martell & Amy McCormick to reach out to Huber Family Farm about

Cota Field: Carin McCarthy suggested relocating the fields, as was brought up at Town Meeting as a long-term solution. In the meantime, Amanda Vincent will keep in touch with the SSP about the ongoing field maintenance.

Action: Amanda Vincent to ask if the Conservation Committee would consider doing a study for relocating some or all playing fields to parcel on Parsonage Rd.

Action: Amanda Vincent to prepare a bid for the Food Shelf roof.

Action: Amanda Vincent to apply for Congressionally Directed funds for the Jerusalem Community Center Project.

Action: Amanda Vincent to put out a call to action for an informational meeting for subdivisions – especially looking to keep our FEMA Buyout residents in Town.

Motion: Carin McCarthy motioned to accept the Unemployment Insurance quote from VERB UI Trust. Tony Porter seconded. Motion carried.

Motion: Tony Porter motioned to approve the consent agenda. David Schmidt seconded.

Carin McCarthy noted a correction that the mail received from the previous week was from property owners at 75, 114, 242, 243, and 156 Meadow Brook Dr. This was a group prepared document including multiple perspectives, not just one land owner.

Action: Amanda Vincent to invite Nancy Cornell to the next meeting for Vermont's Rural School Community Alliance.

Motion: Carin McCarthy motioned to enter into executive session. David Schmidt second. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion: Carin McCarthy motioned to exit executive session. David Schmidt second. Motion approved unanimously.

Action: Offer position to candidate A pending reference checks.

Motion: Carin McCarthy moved to adjourn. Second by David Schmidt. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Amanda Vincent, Town Administrator