

8/18/2021 Sorrento Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes

Attending via Zoom were Rob Wilpan, Jon Mickel, Craig Clement, Kathi Moore, and Daniel Dougherty. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Rob Wilpan.

1. Minutes
The 08-04-2021 meeting minutes were read by Rob and amendments were made. Rob made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote, motion approved.
2. Update on Firehouse roof replacement:
This is tabled until Joey is in attendance.
3. Update on Community Building repairs:
This is tabled until Joey is in attendance.
4. Update on town pier:
Rob reported that he received the engineer's report. The cost of \$650 is half of what was quoted.
5. Update on Traffic Logix Software:
Jon spoke with Roy Gott. The software is to be installed next week on both laptops.
6. Update on heat pumps:
Waiting for installation by Valley Home Services.
7. Update on Versant subcontractor debris:
Rob still has had no reply from Versant's Manager.
8. Update on installing new chlorinator at the rental building system
This is tabled until a contractor has been found.
9. Update on the Fire House Floor drain cracks:
No update.
10. Update on East Side Road culvert project:
Rob reported that he received confirmation from Annaliese that the project is on the State's agenda.
11. Update on float replacement:
This is tabled until replacement schedule is available.
12. Update on basement lightbulbs @ the community building.
This is tabled until Joey is in attendance.
13. Update on replacing the firehouse lights with LEDs:
This is tabled until after the next Fire Department meeting.
14. Update on winter salt delivery:
Rob said he forwarded the contact into to Joey.

15. Downtown speed limit:

Rob reported that the Selectmen do not have authority to change the Town's speed limits and there is a process to go through with the State. Jon noted that there are no speed limit signs downtown, except from Kearsarge to Ocean Avenue, which is 30 mph and there is no reason for the speed south of Sorrento Ave to be over 20 mph. After much discussion Rob made a motion to move ahead on petitioning the State to change the speed limit in the Sorrento Village area to 20 mph, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote, motion passed.

Also discussed was the need to change some roads downtown to one-way in an effort to keep commercial vehicles out of congested areas; is approval needed from Maine DOT for the change to seasonal one-way traffic? Suggestions were making Waukeag one-way down the hill and Main Street two-way. Jon said there is no room for two-way traffic when vehicles are parked on the seawall side of Ocean Ave. It was suggested to place a no parking sign on the eastern corner of the harbor parking lot. It was agreed to table the one-way traffic discussion for a future date.

16. Parking at Doane's Point (Isaac's) Beach:

There was a discussion about the beach parking area being used by a commercial kayak tour business. Jon made a motion to adjust the Town's parking ordinance to limit the use of Doane's Point Beach (aka Isaac's Beach) to prohibit commercial use, seconded by Rob, unanimous vote, motion passed. It was agreed to order a sign to read "Parking limited to non-commercial use only. Violators will be towed at owner's expense".

17. Fish Float Grant update:

Jon said he has moved the work order to the highest priority.

NEW BUSINESS:

Rob reported that he received a request from Allen Colebank to name his private road to Long Cove Lane. Rob made a motion to approve naming this private road to Long Cove Lane, Jon seconded, unanimous vote, motion passed.

Rob made a motion to approve Disbursement Warrant #4, Jon seconded, unanimous vote, motion passed.

Rob reported that he attended a meeting hosted by Frenchman Bay United, who is against the proposed industrial fish farm. They are funded through donations to pay for legal assistance. He has access to the information and can forward the link to those interested. Rob said he would like to make a motion to represent the Town as intervener, if needed, at future meetings, Jon seconded, unanimous vote, motion passed.

The Town received a "Qualified Catering Organization Application for Catered Function" from Bar Harbor Catering Company, for a catered wedding on 9/5/2021. Rob made a motion to approve the application, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote, motion passed. Rob asked Craig and Jon to stop by the Town Office to sign the application.

At 7:58 Rob made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jon, unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted by Kathi Moore, Town Clerk
8/31/2021