

Selectboard Member's present: Peeker Heffernan, Peter Coffey, Ted Lylis and Joel Bouvier. Also present was Town Administrator Therese Kirby, Board Clerk Tasha Bouvier, filming for Neat TV by Mary Arbuckle, Jim Quaglino, Fire Chief Brett LaRose, Kevin LaRose, Amos Martin, Peg Kamen, Jim Mendel, Jeff Mack and Holly Tippet. Chair Michelle Perlee was absent.

1. At 6:01 P.M. Joel Bouvier moved to appoint Peeker Heffernan as acting chairman for tonight. Ted Lylis second, so voted. Meeting was called to order by Interim Chairman Peeker Heffernan.
2. Engineer for Bristol Co-housing Dean Grover discussed the need to connect to the water line on North Street for the Bristol Co-housing. Therese Kirby advised Road Foreman, Peter Bouvier, suggested they connect to Park Street if it cannot wait until May and if it can wait until May, they can connect to the North Street waterline. Dean Grover will make sure there is a valve shut off for the water in case of emergencies on the Bristol Cohousing side of the street. Therese Kirby advised Dean Grover to get ahold of Road Foreman Peter Bouvier, to go over what needs to be done and to get permission from Peter for a start date. Therese also reminded Dean the contractor has to adhere to all MUTCD standards and follow proper lane or road closure rules set out by Peter. Joel Bouvier moved to allow Bristol co-housing and Dean Grover to engineer the water line for the hook up of North Street project to go to Park Street and the town accepts no liability of freezing from the Park Street connection. Reference option one from Dean Grover's report from December 2016. Peter Coffey second, so voted.
3. Fire Chief Brett LaRose advised he would like permission to sell three ladders. Two wooden and one aluminum. One 18' wooden ladder at \$150, one aluminum roof ladder at \$75 and one 35' wooden ladder for \$250. Peter Coffey asked about the liability. Brett LaRose advised the ladders would be sold as is. Joel Bouvier moved the Board authorize the Fire Chief to sell the equipment and offer the ladders to members first. Peter Coffey second, so voted. Equipment use about the basketball hoop. Therese stated there was a concern regarding the basketball hoop at the fire facility, which was purchased for training purposes. She contacted VLCT about the liability and they said it's a low concern. Joel Bouvier move the Board allow the basketball to stay for unorganized, no horseplay and training basketball. Peter Coffey second, so voted. Brett LaRose advised there are 2 firemen resigning. Daniel McDurfee and Steven Martin have resigned from the Fire Department, as they both are relocating. Joel Bouvier accepts, with regret and thanks them both for their service, the resignation of Daniel McDurfee and Steven Martin. Ted Lylis second, so voted. Brett LaRose asked the Board that if a

member of the Fire Department comes to them with an issue, that they ask the member first if they have spoken with their department head. If they have not, please direct them to. As with all departments, there is a chain of command and if a member is not comfortable speaking to him as Chief, they should go to their company officer.

4. Ted Lylis requested the Water Commissioner's to abate portion of his bill. Ted Lylis owns a couple of rental properties on Garfield Street and the readings on his water have been a little wacky. Ted Lylis asked where the 160 extra gallons of water came from. Therese Kirby advised the manufacturers said the water meters can't over read the water use. Ted disagrees. Peeker Heffernan explained that he had also had a high water meter reading in the past, and it was sediment in the toilet that caused his toilet to run for a period of time. He went on to state the Water Commissioner's had never, in his tenure, abated a water bill. Joel Bouvier moved not to abate Ted Lylis' 19 Garfield Street bill, but have VTUMS replace the two meters, and monitor the water use for the next few months. Peter Coffey second, so voted. Ted Lylis abstained from voting. Ted Lylis advised he will not pay the bill until the issue has been looked at.
5. Public Forum: Jeff Mack and Holly Tippettt shared that from February 9-12, 2017 there will be a coyote killing contest in Bristol. They wanted the Board and the community to be aware this is happening and the concern they have with this. Therese Kirby said she would mention it to Chief of Police Kevin Gibbs, but also told the Board this is not illegal and suggested Jeff and Holly pursue legislation and speak with Fish and Game
6. Revolving Loan Fund Committee's recommendation to loan Kayla Flint \$70,000 at 3.75% interest for ten years to balloon in five years to purchase In-Stitches. Therese Kirby stated Wendy Livingston will have to sign a standby creditor agreement, which gives the Town's loan first position over her owner financing agreement with Kayla. Peter Coffey moved to loan Kayla Flint \$70,000 with the above conditions, plus the requirement that Kayla must have legal representation, and the loan to the Town of Bristol will be paid first before other outstanding loans. Joel Bouvier second, so voted.
7. Joel Bouvier moved to approve Vermont Paddler's request to hold their annual New Haven Ledges Race on April 1, 2017 or April 8, 2017 as back-up date per the conditions stated in the letter dated January 9, 2017 written by Ryan McCall of Vermont Paddlers. Ted Lylis second, so voted.

8. Joel Bouvier moved to accept the 2017 Certificate of Highway Mileage with the addition of Fire House Dr. and the removal of the section by the Bristol Recreation field. Ted Lylis second, so voted.
9. Driveway applications for Fred & Jody Schroeder and Jason Cook. Jason Cook is 159 Choiniere Rd. and Fred & Jody Schroeder is 4 Hewitt Rd. Joel Bouvier moved to approve the access permit for 4 Hewitt Rd. with the conditions the Road Foreman has stipulated. Peter Coffey second, so voted. Peter Coffey moved to approve the access permit for 159 Choiniere Rd. with the conditions the Road Foreman has stipulated. Ted Lylis second, so voted.
10. Ted Lylis moved to accept the Planning Commission's reappointment of Eric Forand for a three-year term as Zoning Administrator. Joel Bouvier second, so voted.
11. Peter Coffey moved to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2017 Selectboard meeting with no corrections. Joel Bouvier second, so voted. Joel Bouvier moved to approve the minutes of January 9, 2017 Selectboard budget meeting with no corrections. Peter Coffey second, so voted.
12. Authorize accounts payable warrant of \$80,562.05.
13. Therese Kirby would like permission for Treasurer to pay Cushman Design for two invoices from the Stoney Hill Master Planning Study Grant for \$585.61 & \$1,097.70. Peter Coffey moved to authorize payment. Ted Lylis second, so voted.
14. Selectboard concerns. Ted wanted to know if there was any word from Aqua Vitea on them paying their loan. Therese said a check was issued January 3, 2017 in the amount of \$6,000 and they will pay the remainder by March 31, 2017. Peeker Heffernan has a concern regarding Vallencourt trimming lines for Green Mountain Power. His concerns are there are no flaggers and no signs up. Who should we notify regarding the safety issue? Therese Kirby advised Peter Bouvier has spoken to Vallencourt workers and their supervisor. Ted Lylis advised there has been someone working by Red Cedar School with no flaggers or anything. Therese and Peeker said that was Vallencourt. Therese Kirby will contact Green Mountain Power tomorrow. Peeker Heffernan also mentioned due to current and the future zoning, he will not make an offer on 32 North Street, the old fire station. Joel Bouvier said he was happy for the good news, that Mt. Abe and the Bristol Police Department will sign a contract for \$8,000, for school checks

and other services. This will be on the agenda for the January 30, 2017 meeting, so the Board has time to review the MOU.

15. Town Administrator's Report. Therese Kirby had a meeting with Police Chief Kevin Gibbs in regards to the vote to expand the district at the March 2018 Town Meeting. She told Kevin the residents in the district will want to know how long will it take for the tax rate to get back to what they are currently paying, the Board would need to see a schedule and a budget Chief of Police Kevin Gibbs will come up with a plan and present it to the Board in March. Therese also advised the Police Chief, that if the vote failed, it would be a referendum on him. The Bristol Bridge on route 116 has a revised construction date of July 2019 instead of 2018. Joel Bouvier moved to accept, with regret, the resignation of David Rosen from Conservation Commission. Ted Lylis second, so voted. David Rosen will still be the contact for Green up Day. Therese Kirby received letters in regards to the proposed solar array on Saunders land. The Board can read them, but can't do anything except refer people to the Public Service Board (PSB). Once the application is filed with the PSB, they will accept comments. Peter Coffey received the information he requested regarding the usage of the Bristol HUB, and 42% are non-Bristol resident kids. He would like Darla to work on finding a way to get more money from other Towns, so Bristol does not have to fund the majority of the cost. Therese suggested an MOU, as petitioning to increase our appropriation could be tricky. She will speak with Darla.

16. At 7:50 p.m. Joel Bouvier moved to adjourn. Ted Lylis second, so voted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tasha Bouvier