Meeting of the Charlemont Selectboard

December 18,2023

Town Hall and via telephone conference

Present: Jared Bellows, Sarah Reynolds and Charlotte Dewey in Town Hall, Bill Harker, Valentine Reid and Greg Rowehl via telephone.

The RFP for the Fairgrounds and School was discussed. The Town Administrator has discussed it with a few of the landscaping design schools/businesses and it was recommended because of the scope of the two sites being different that the town allow for bids on the two sites separately.

On a motion by Valentine Reid and second by Bill Harker it was voted to allow the administrator to modify the RFP as appropriate to allow for bidding on the two sites separately as well.

The Class II license for Brian Dupree/Stagecoach Auto was discussed. The Conservation Commission has not drafted the order yet. The Board discussed that they would like to have the business in compliance and would vote to provisionally approve the license with the understanding that the business complies with all boards in this process. It also was discussed that the intent is to also bring this license in alignment with the other Class II and by 2025 have a set number of vehicles allowed.

Public Comment received brought up the process for vehicles that there are no titles to, and the process that other towing companies use. It was also suggested that there needed to be a spreadsheet with make model, vin, the board explained that this was a Conservation Commission task. It also was explained that although this is an ongoing issue the board is a new board and is forward looking on bringing the business into compliance and the board is not interested in shutting down a business but would rather give the tools to reach compliance.

On a motion by Valentine Reid and second by Jared bellows, the board unanimously voted to approve the license on the condition of a good faith compliance with Conservation Commission and any other boards involved in bringing the license to compliance, and also a notification to the license holder that the board plans to bring the license into alignment with the other licenses which will mean that there will be a defined number of cars in the license.

On a motion by Jared Bellows and second by Valentine Reid the board unanimously approved signing the Annual Transfer Station Inspection. Jared Bellows will be the signatory because he is physically present in town hall.

On a motion by Valentine Reid and second by Jared Bellows the vendor warrant 2424 and payroll warrant 2422 were approved.

On a motion by Valentine Reid and second by Bill Harker the meeting adjourned at 7:09 PM.