

Brandon Select Board Meeting
October 11, 2021
7:00 p.m.

The Brandon Select Board will meet Monday, October 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Brandon Town Hall located at 1 Conant Square expecting to consider the items noted on this agenda. Agendas shall be posted on the community bulletin board located at the Town Office at 49 Center Street and on the community bulletin board located at the Junction Store & Deli at 2265 Forest Dale Road. The Select Board reserves the right to add additional items, if necessary, at the beginning of the meeting.

Interested parties may also attend this meeting electronically:

- Video Conference via ZOOM: Meeting ID (253 279 4161)
- Conference call: Dial (929) 205 6099

- 1) Call to Order
 - a) Agenda Adoption
- 2) Approval of Minutes
 - a) Select Board Minutes – September 27, 2021
- 3) Town Manager's Report
- 4) Public Comment and Participation
- 5) Set Budget Workshop Schedule
- 6) National Opioids Settlement
- 7) ARPA Funds Discussion
- 8) Fiscal
 - a) Warrant – October 11, 2021 - \$337,646.60
- 9) Adjournment

Brandon Select Board Meeting September 27, 2021

NOTE: These are unapproved minutes, subject to amendment and/or approval at the subsequent board meeting.

Board Members In Attendance: Seth Hopkins, Brian Coolidge, Tim Guiles, Tracy Wyman, Michael Markowski

Others In Attendance: Dave Atherton, Jack Schneider, Jim Emerson, Bernie Carr, Melly Flynn, Joe Flynn, Eric Hall, Bill Moore, Wayne Rausenberger, Devon Fuller, Allie Walter, Jack Schneider, Patty Wood, Jim Emerson, Robert Black, Ralph Ethier, Neil Silins, Stephanie Jerome, Sue Gage, Wyatt Waterman

Other In Attendance Via Zoom:

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Seth Hopkins - Chair at 7:00PM.

a) Agenda Adoption

Motion by Tracy Wyman/Brian Coolidge to adopt the agenda, as amended. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Add an Executive Session in accordance with 1VSA 313(a)1 to discuss Police Union grievance

2. Approval of Minutes

a) Select Board Meeting – September 13, 2021

Motion by Mike Markowski/Tim Guiles to approve the minutes of the September 13th Select Board meeting. **The motion passed with two abstentions – Seth Hopkins and Brian Coolidge.**

3. Town Manager's Report

Dave Atherton provided a report for the weeks of September 13th and September 24th.

. Letters were sent to the Newton Road residents inviting them to apply for the new round of property buyouts. Mr. Atherton has received three responses so far.

. Mr. Atherton is working with Devon Neary at the RRPC on an application for another VTrans Transportation Alternatives Program Grant to replace a section of sidewalk on Carver Street from the Segment 6 project limit to Rossiter Street on both sides of the road. They did some cost estimates and will have a letter at the next meeting for the Select Board to sign.

. Mr. Atherton attended the RRPC Commissioners' meeting on 9/13/21. This was mostly budget discussion.

. Mr. Atherton met with Heather Starzynski from Neighborworks to discuss what they can offer to Brandon residents for weatherization and energy efficiency programs and funding. Representative Jerome and Jack Schneider also attended. It was a productive first meeting. They toured around town and looked at what they can do for us.

. Bill Moore and Mr. Atherton met with Consolidated Communications regarding the downtown Wi-Fi possibilities. They are working on a quote for the Town to consider.

Rec Department News:

. Gamer Gathering is a new Brandon Rec offering being held on Wednesdays at 4:30PM in the Town Hall downstairs meeting space. Leader Harmony Van Eaton supervises this electronic gaming meet-up for kids ages 10 – 17.

. HarvestFest is back. October 3rd, Estabrook Park will play host to a petting zoo, food vendors, hay wagon ride and the misnamed yet immensely popular “Leaf People” building from 1PM to 4PM. This is a community gathering that is organized by the Brandon Rec with the help from the Brandon Area Toy Project, Brandon Area Chamber of Commerce and the Neshobe PTO.

. Our second annual “Estabrook Fall Craft Fair” will be held from 10AM to 3PM on Saturday, October 9th. Over 90 vendors are signed up and organizer Karen Trayah donates proceeds to the Brandon Dog Park.

. Quiz night is back! This Brandon Rec and Brandon Free Public Library collaboration’s 4th year of pub trivia fun begins on Sunday, October 16th. Visit the new Branddonpubliclibrary.org website to sign your team up!

. Watch out for future offerings including (but not limited to) Fall Kickball, Youth XC running and Sunday Crafting Club.

Tim Guiles asked when the quote will be received from Consolidated Communications. Dave Atherton advised the Town should be receiving a quote soon. Mr. Guiles also indicated Wade Davis emailed about the traffic light and asked if it would be possible for blinking yellow lights or if there needs to be a traffic engineer brought in. Mr. Atherton advised the Town would need to hire an outside person to do a study, but noted that whatever is done, someone is not going to be happy. It will ultimately be up to the Town as to how they want them set up. Mr. Atherton stated the lights are triggered from traffic coming from Union, Park and Carver, plus other variables to traffic backup are people trying to turn into Lot A and pedestrians in the crosswalk and a lot of traffic backing in and out. Downtown is very busy and there is more traffic with times that it is backed up. Mr. Guiles suggested changing the green light southbound until it is empty. Mr. Atherton noted this was done earlier and it backed up the traffic coming off the side roads. This can be brought to the people doing the studies to program something else, but it will come at a cost. Mr. Guiles suggested trying it for a couple of weeks. Joe Flynn stated Friday evenings and Saturday mornings are the key times for moving the traffic on Route 7. Mr. Atherton noted if there is no traffic on the sides roads the traffic is flowing. Bernie Carr stated when discussing the project, the big concern was that it would turn Route 7 into a racetrack, but now there are complaints that we cannot speed through town. Mr. Carr noted during rush hour waiting is a limited amount of time. There are two national chains emptying out from the side street and is likely why they had to program them this way. Mr. Carr is happy the Town is so busy that people must wait at the lights and is a good problem to have.

He is happy to have a tweak. Mr. Atherton noted early on Hannaford and Walgreen customers were having a hard time getting back out on Route 7. Robert Black agreed with Mr. Carr and supports keeping the town walkable and safe.

4. Public Comment and Participation

Jim Emerson advised that SolarFest is very interested in coming to Brandon. Mr. Emerson provided a draft of information that will be placed on FPF tomorrow and requested the Board's feedback. SolarFest is most interested in the State property, but there are other properties they are exploring. Dave Atherton reported he had a conversation with Michael Bailey of SolarFest about the State land. It was decided the Town would step aside and SolarFest would move forward with working directly with the State on this land. Mr. Bailey will get back to the Town on this subject.

Allie Walter asked the status of the municipal parking lot. Dave Atherton advised the contractor is at the mercy of the pavers and it is hoped to be done by mid-October. Ms. Walter asked with more activities in the downtown if there could be something done about engine brakes. Dave Atherton reported there has been conversations with the Police Chief and advised that there is no law against this, and the Town would have to create an ordinance and the police would have to issue tickets. Ms. Walter suggested a sign would be good and perhaps some of the truck drivers would adhere to it. Tracy Wyman stated there are some towns in the state that do have signs indicating no use of engine brakes rather than instituting an ordinance. Tim Guiles agreed with this suggestion. Mike Markowski noted an engine brake is for safety and Tracy Wyman stated some trucks are weighting upward of 100,000 pounds. Bernie Carr stated 25mph is going too fast through the center of town and he has heard a lot of truck brakes near his shop. Joe Flynn liked the idea of a sign suggestion. Mr. Atherton stated the only reason for an ordinance would be for enforcement, but it is hoped that a sign would suffice.

Motion by Tim Guiles/Tracy Wyman to install signs indicating "No Engine Brakes" for the downtown area. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Seth Hopkins noted there would not be a need for an ordinance. Brian Coolidge suggested four signs with two on Route 7 and two on Route 73. Mr. Atherton will speak with Shawn on this subject. Mr. Atherton noted the flashing speed signs will be installed hopefully this week. Patty Wood expressed concern over the number of signs in Town. Mr. Atherton advised that the signs would have to be placed within the Town limits.

Stephanie Jerome reported the Vermont Climate Council is taking input and there are three upcoming zoom meetings scheduled for September 30th, October 5th and October 6th starting at 6PM (see attachment). Ms. Jerome also encouraged people to get their vaccine boosters and noted it is a service that is being handled very efficiently.

5. ARPA Discussion with Eric Hall, RRPC Regional Planner

Eric Hall from the Rutland Regional Planning Committee (RRPC) was present to discuss ARPA funds. The RPCs across the state have been tasked, in coordination with VLCT, to assist municipalities in identifying needs and priorities for projects the funds can be used on. The Treasury Department has released an interim final rule for eligibility though the ruling is not final. The final rule is expected this fall, but timing is unknown. There are still things to be learned and the goal of the funds are to support the Covid 19 response effort, replace sector revenue, support economic stabilization and address the systemic health and challenges that have contributed to an

unequal impact. The goal is an economic response more than economic development, but all final decisions lie with the municipalities. Mr. Hall noted the RRPC can assist with developing a list of projects, prioritizing the list and determining the eligibility. There are resources available to answer questions about eligibility and determine where a project may fall. If there is a project that is in a gray area, it can be determined if it is eligible. The RRPC and VLCT request towns take time to make sure there is definitive eligibility that Mr. Hall is available to assist with. It is expected a dashboard will be developed for all towns to see the other towns' projects. The goal is to meet the pandemic response needs and build a stronger economy and community and make some lasting improvements. Tim Guiles stated the Town started with 19 proposed projects and reduced them down to 9 and have ultimately come up with a top 2. The Town has talked about using the money for a solar panel project that would be an economic rock for the community to build on and would help everyone. It would also answer climate change and assist with the State's 2050 goal in this area. Jim Emerson stated it would offset the Town's electric cost and save 3% or more for the taxpayers. Mr. Hall noted another point is projects that align with the Town Plan are a good place to start. If there are projects identified as goals that meet the criteria, those would be viewed as high priority. From an economic recovery versus development standpoint, a solar array would be a tough thing to do as it would seem to be more for economic development. Mr. Guiles stated it would provide cash flow for the future to do other projects as it would generate more money for the community. Dave Atherton asked if any project that falls under clean water and drinking water is approved for funding. Mr. Hall advised that water, wastewater and broadband are categories that are identified infrastructure investments that are eligible, but routine maintenance does not fall into this. Mr. Hall reported they meet bi-weekly and there was a presentation from a water investment group that identified municipal road general permit projects in connection with stormwater would be eligible for funding and this will open doors to more projects. Each week the group is receiving more clarity and with regards to capital projects for water, wastewater and broadband, those are the projects they are trying to push. Seth Hopkins stated initially in late July it was confirmed the Town would receive \$390,000.00 and with the county allotments, that figure is now \$1,116,488.00 and the scale of the ARPA relief has grown significantly, and it bears opening the project discussion again. Mr. Hopkins noted from a slide from one of the ARPA webinars he attended, it included cyber security, and climate change and resilience which is what he is considering the solar project for in addressing energy resilience and climate change. Mr. Hall thought the climate resilience is geared toward wastewater to make sure a facility can handle the surges in water. Mr. Hall will research the solar array aspect. Mr. Hopkins confirmed the obligation date for the ARPA funds is the end of 2024. Mr. Hall clarified that date was to get the projects in the engineering process with a build-out by the end of 2026. Mr. Hall advised he is available for special public forums and if any other ideas come to the table, he requested they be forward to him. Dave Atherton stated with MRGP, would other stormwater projects fall under this, as there are a lot of roads and if culverts fall under this, it will help on a couple of things. Mr. Hall advised only the ground that is disturbed can be paved. Mr. Atherton asked with water and sewer, if a sidewalk replacement is done and water and sewer is done at the same time, can the Town do curb to curb paving. Mr. Hall agreed that would be eligible. Tim Guiles stated there was also discussion of a new municipal garage. Mr. Hall stated that would not fall into the eligible uses. General infrastructure is not in response to the general public health emergency and issues the pandemic has created, unless it is a pandemic related public health need like an investment for a facility to do vaccines. There could be affordable housing in a qualified census track. Mr. Hopkins requested the list that initially came in from the public be provided to Mr. Hall. Bill Moore asked about outdoor recreation for citizens. Mr. Hall stated that is also a gray area and part of that could be if there is deferred maintenance on a public park, with remedying the maintenance being eligible. Mr. Moore suggested a walking trail that needs to be upgraded. Mr.

Hall will add that item to the list to obtain clarification. Bernie Carr asked about economic impact on businesses in helping with their losses. The businesses had both the pandemic and construction income loss and because there was construction in 2019 and numbers were low, it was difficult to show a 50% loss and the businesses here suffered for three years. Mr. Hall stated this would be up to the Town to create a system for taking applications and allocating to a small business recovery grant but gaging how the pandemic affected those businesses is a challenge. Mr. Carr asked what kind of a program would be done for lost income. Mr. Hall stated the response to the public health emergency affected small businesses and responding would be to try to support the small businesses. Determining how it would be set up and a system for those wouldn't be cut and dry as there is a lot of focus on travel, hospitality and restaurants, but for businesses outside of those areas, it is difficult to quantify and determine how the assistance could be determined. Mr. Carr stated many of the businesses did get help, but there are a few businesses that did not get any help. Mr. Hall suggested adding to the list of possibilities for supporting small businesses. Mr. Hopkins stated the reason it did not make it past through the first go-through was the goal is to give the widest possible benefit to the largest number of people in town. Targeting business owners would be meaningful, but it would not be a wide number of people. Mr. Carr stated for those businesses affected, there is a significant amount of money that was lost. Mr. Hopkins thanked Mr. Hall for clarifying economic response as opposed to economic development. The Town has time to obligate the money and it is felt that public comment is necessary. There are also Covid Relief funds coming through the other State agencies and the Town will leverage those funds.

6. Declassifying the Class 4 Portion of Steinberg Road to a Trail

Seth Hopkins advised there has been a hearing on this proposed change. Dave Atherton stated it must be recorded and gates installed. Mr. Atherton spoke with one of the landowners and likely something will be done regarding the gates this fall.

Motion by Tracy Wyman/Michael Markowski to sign the order of discontinuance to approve the declassification of the Class 4 portion of Steinberg Road to a trail. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Ralph Ethier asked if rocks can be put at the entrance until gates are installed. Dave Atherton stated there are some jersey barriers that can be brought in, but the neighbors would not be able to use the road. Mr. Ethier noted deer season becomes trash season in this area and he did not think the other neighbors will have an issue with the barriers. Mr. Atherton will talk with Shawn about installing the jersey barriers until the gates are installed and will also talk with the McLaughlin's about the barriers.

7. BLSG Resolution Discussion

Wayne Rausenberger noted the BLSG had asked all towns if there were any changes requested and Brandon had none. There was one concern from another town that the BLSG is going to increase spending. The BLSG Board has agreed to limit a year-to-year budget to no more than a 5% increase. If there is more money needed, there will have to be a unanimous decision from all towns to approve an increase in the budget. Seth Hopkins confirmed the BLSG Board is okay with the proposed change. Mr. Atherton stated when the Town is in the budgeting process, it will include the 5% increase. Wayne Rausenberger advised there may not be a 5% increase and may be less. Mr. Rausenberger asked what kind of payment schedule the Town will have. Every town has paid after taxes are collected and Brandon has historically paid four times per year. Sue Gage stated the Town

can pay in a lump sum, or however the BLSG would like payment. Mr. Rausenberger suggested it is better to receive the four payments annually. Mr. Rausenberger asked if the Select Board is trusting the BLSG to do larvicide and adulticide once the money is budgeted and the town is provided an assessment. There are times when most funds are spent for adulticide, but there are times when larvicide things need to be done. Mr. Rausenberger would like a sense from the Board if the budget must be micro-managed. Seth Hopkins stated the Board has consistently said the BLSG does important work and a BLSG representative provides input during budget season. Mr. Hopkins did not have a desire for Brandon to dictate money that is assessed, and he did not think the Town wants to micro-manage. Tim Guiles agreed but noted that perhaps the Select Board may have an opinion about adulticide and larvicide. The Board agreed that they do not wish to micro-manage the BLSG.

8. Regional Emergency Management Discussion

Dave Atherton reported the Emergency Management group wants to change the way towns are being represented and they want to have an emergency services person from every town. Mr. Atherton stated there may come a point when an emergency services person will need to be appointed from either the Rescue Squad or Fire Department. Mr. Atherton will reach out to determine if Fire Chief Kilpeck might be interested in this appointment.

9. Greenways Committee Presentation

Devon Fuller, DBA President, provided a history of the Greenways Committee noting that it had morphed out of the Downtown Brandon Alliance (DBA). The DBA was originally the Center Street Alliance that was developed to keep viable business centers in Vermont towns. There is a state coordinator, and it consists of 23 towns and each town has a Board that manages the designated downtown. After 2007, the working name was changed to the DBA. It is the intention of the DBA to work together with the various groups such as the Chamber, Town and local businesses to keep the core alive. Some activities of the DBA include the summer flower pots, holiday decorations, and the VDAT report that has been used by economic development and assisting the Chamber in coordinating events. There were barn raising events for the community members to advise what the DBA can work towards. Mr. Fuller noted Brandon has done a great job with flood resilience and the DBA's design group helped with the design and remodel of the Town Office. This remodel was paid for through grants due to Brandon being a designated downtown. The DBA assisted in obtaining tax breaks for the Smith Block and coordinated with the Chamber to help businesses get through the Route 7 project. Through the work that has been done, the Greenways Committee started looking at the land behind the Smith Block to create walking paths to different parts of the community, that has ultimately morphed into other projects like the art project. This Committee has a very strong design group, and the problem has always been about funding.

Melly Flynn provided a presentation on the Town's five parks and a walkable downtown with the focus on providing people walking ability and to provide a focus on local businesses. There were signs placed in the parks to identify each park and several walks have been developed and a brochure was created to outline the walks. When starting from the downtown, one is never more than five miles from downtown and the walks range from 1 to 10 miles. There were longer routes developed in going out by the Sanderson's Bridge and returning on Union Street. There was focus on the Iron Furnace area and a third path to start at Park Village to the Arnold District and out Hollow Road with a return on Steinberg Road. Ms. Flynn thanked the Select Board for making the

Class 4 section of Steinberg Road a trail. There are also hiking trails through Hawk Hill. Ms. Flynn noted the brochure is not just for tourists but is available to the community as well. There are a few projects in the planning stages for people who live outside the downtown area for walking or riding a bike into town. The Committee wants to look at a bike route to Neshobe School. Ms. Flynn advised there had been a plan developed in 1995 to create a trail to Neshobe School and at that time all landowners along the way gave permission. Wade Davis is trying to get this project resurrected. Some of the trails have been walked between Town Farm Road and Neshobe School, but they are trying to find a connecting point back to the downtown area. This project is still in the planning stages and is on the back burner. Another project as a result of damage that Irene had done to Newton Road is a property at the end of Newton Road that meets Route 53 for a possible scenic sitting park, which would tie in with the Iron Furnace walk. Another project the Committee is working on is determining how people at Park Village could walk or bike without using the narrow sidewalk. This project is in an early stage that will include landowner considerations and obtaining expertise in putting in a bike trail. When creating the brochure, an app, Geotourist, was added that provides information such as a map, photos, and historical information. Tim Guiles is assisting with creating information that includes, an Art tour, History tour, Eye Spy tour, Joke tour and a Covered Bridge tour, with others in the making. There is consideration to place a sign in the new parking lot that would provide information about the Geotourist app, as well as information will be available at the Stephen A. Douglas House.

Allie Walter provided information on the Public Art initiative of the Greenways Committee and provided photos of the monuments, and other art in the town. Ms. Walter advised different artists have been approached to possibly do murals on various buildings. Kathryn Wiegers and Juniper Creative Arts are interested in doing murals in the Town and will assist with mural design. Locations under consideration are the side of Walgreens, the upper falls stairway and the old bus stop. Another project under consideration is an upgrade to the bank alley between the Café Provence parking lot and Central Park with discussion of putting in some planters at either end, paving the area and working with local schools to have artwork placed on the sides of the buildings. Another project under consideration is a mural on the north wall of the Brandon Flower Shoppe with some concepts discussed of imagery that would represent Brandon and be eye-catching.

Robert Black, DBA Design Chair, thanked the Select Board for allowing the opportunity to provide a presentation and noted that all groups – the Select Board, DBA and Chamber – contribute to making Brandon special. Mr. Black noted there is historic architecture that is unspoiled, and more and more people are visiting. Mr. Black stated Kevin Thornton is a real asset to the Town and is helping to push the Thomas Davenport story. Anti-slavery is also a big thing for Brandon and the river rivalry is an interesting story that Mr. Thornton would like to highlight. Mr. Black provided an overview of the proposed Little Park for a Little While that would be located at 17 Franklin Street. They have been working to develop this park and is an example of the Brandon community working together. Mr. Black thanked Kurt Thomas' staff for their assistance with the project and noted there are several people who will provide flowers and trees for the park. There will be a front edging that is in the development stage. The Park will be wheelchair accessible and there is a plan to contact the water department to have a hydrant installed. Mr. Black noted there is a large network of people working together to make this happen. Mr. Black advised the Committee's next steps are to concentrate on public outreach, education and participation. There are other towns that have created a river walk system such as Manchester and Middlebury and are models the Committee would like to duplicate for Brandon. The Committee asked if the Select Board would authorize the Town to participate in a joint-funding effort with the DBA and Chamber, with possible funding from the

Shirley Farr trust, for a water source at 17 Franklin Street, an ongoing public art initiative throughout Brandon and a new monument to honor Thomas Davenport and the electric motor. Bernie Carr noted Robert Black has done a tremendous amount of work since he has been in Brandon, and Dave Atherton and Bill Moore have been very supportive and noted it is a creative group effort. Mr. Carr has talked with Ray Counter about a fire hydrant at 17 Franklin Street and Mr. Counter will speak with Kurt Thomas about this. Robert Black stated the DBA has talked with Jeff Biasuzzi concerning the artwork. Mr. Atherton also suggested it would be good for the DBA to check with the State to also determine what is allowed. Mr. Black advised the mural artists the DBA is working with have been doing work in both Rutland and Burlington and would be knowledgeable on this subject. Sue Gage advised the legislature has approved murals for designated downtowns. Bill Moore also suggested checking with the Vermont Art Council. Mr. Moore noted these are amazing projects and hard work has been put into their weekly meetings to get to this point and there is likely public and private funding available. Having a solid plan and a concrete ask will allow for the Town, public and private organizations to support the efforts. Mr. Black advised the Committee was present to build awareness and asked the Select Board to collaborate with the DBA and they will pursue what projects the Board feels appropriate. Seth Hopkins suggested the DBA collaborate with the Rec Department prior to the Town's budget process to help with the planning. Mr. Hopkins thanked the DBA for providing a presentation to the Board.

10. Appointment

a. Deputy Health Officer – (3-year Term ending September 30, 2024)

Motion by Tim Guiles/Tracy Wyman to appoint Dave Atherton as the Deputy Health Officer for a 3-year term ending September 20, 2024. **The motion passed unanimously.**
Tom Kilpeck is the regular Health Officer.

11. Request for Use of Local Option Tax Funds

Sue Gage stated there were two documents approved on August 14th. When going through details, Ms. Gage found an error and there were also other undesignated funds that she combined. Mr. Atherton advised construction is done but there will still be some engineering costs for project closeout. Ms. Gage would like to use Local Option funds to zero out the project. Mr. Atherton stated there was a change order for construction, but there will still be some closeout costs. There are three things left that the engineers need to work on, but nothing major.

Motion by Tracy Wyman/Michael Markowski to approve the request to use \$11,114.69 of the Local Option Tax funds for the Route 7, Segment 6 matching funds. **The motion passed unanimously.**

12. Amendment to Wastewater Loan Agreement

Dave Atherton reported this is the final design amendment for the wastewater treatment plant. Seth Hopkins noted the terms are very reasonable.

Motion by Tim Guiles/Tracy Wyman to approve the amendment to the Wastewater Loan agreement. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Bill Moore reported the Brandon Carnival made a profit of about \$4,200.00. He noted this is a great event and the movement of the date to the end of July helped with the numbers. This was a nice fund raiser for the Brandon Area Toy Project. It is hoped to schedule the event for the same time next year that will give more time for planning. There was a request to include a knuckle cracking event and wrestling for next year. Seth Hopkins thanked Mr. Moore for partnering with the businesses and developing this into a positive event.

13. Fiscal

a) Warrant FY 2021/2022 – September 27, 2021 - \$124,252.29

Motion by Brian Coolidge/Tracy Wyman to approve the warrant of September 27, 2021, in the amount of \$124,252.29. **The motion passed unanimously.**

The Board recessed the meeting at 9:10PM.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 9:17PM.

Motion by Tim Guiles/Brian Coolidge to find that the premature general knowledge of a discussion concerning the Police Union grievance will clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Motion by Tim Guiles/Brian Coolidge to enter into executive session at 9:17PM to discuss the Police Union grievance under the provisions of 1 V.S.A. 313 (a)(1). **The motion passed unanimously.**

14. Executive Session

The Board came out of executive session at 9:34PM. There were no actions required.

15. Adjournment

Motion by Brian Coolidge/Tracy Wyman to adjourn the Select Board meeting at 9:34PM. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Bryant
Recording Secretary

Town Manager Report for September 27th – October 8th, 2021

- Attended Town Fair and the Annual PACIF/VLCT meeting on September 30th. Staff has been attending many of the virtual meetings throughout the last two weeks..
- The Conant Square Park and Ride work continues. The lights will be installed next weeks and paving is scheduled for the end of next week, weather permitted.
- Attended an RRPC meeting on October 6th on the Flood Resilient Communities Fund (FRCF). This is the new program that funds properties that are just outside of the Special Flood Hazard Area that don't qualify for FEMA funding but have sustained flood damage. I currently have four properties on Newton Road that are applying for this program. The first round deadline for applications is October 29th, the second round is due January 31, 2022.
- The Highway Department has completed our 2021 MRGP projects and the RRPC completed a site visit last week to review the projects. We were awarded a \$20,340.00 grant last year to complete this work.
- The two flashing speed limit signs have been installed on Grove Street and Franklin Street. So far they seem to be affective.
- We have received \$16,743.23 in delinquent taxes and \$10,496.73 in delinquent sewer since letters were sent on August 20th. The remaining delinquent accounts will be turned over to our attorney at the end of October.
- The new backhoe arrived on October 6th. (Everyone cheered)

Other items will be covered in the agenda.

National Opioids Settlement
P.O. Box 43196
Providence, RI 02940-3196

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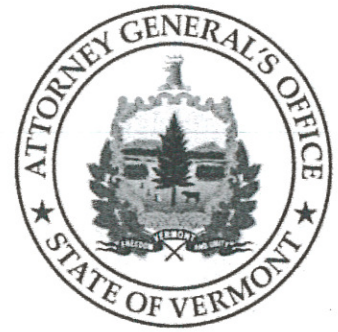
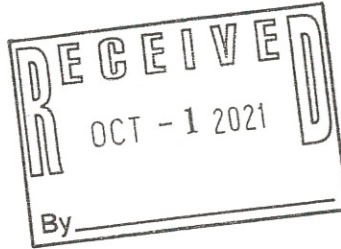
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David Atherton Town Manager

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Brandon, VT 05733



TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT. SUBDIVISIONS MUST SUBMIT SIGNED DOCUMENTATION TO PARTICIPATE. THE DEADLINE FOR PARTICIPATION TO MAXIMIZE SETTLEMENT BENEFITS IS JANUARY 2, 2022.

If your subdivision is represented by an attorney with respect to opioid claims, please immediately contact them.

SETTLEMENT OVERVIEW

After years of negotiations, two proposed nationwide settlement agreements (“Settlements”) have been reached that would resolve all opioid litigation brought by states and local political subdivisions against the three largest pharmaceutical distributors, McKesson, Cardinal Health and AmerisourceBergen (“Distributors”), and one manufacturer, Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and its parent company Johnson & Johnson (collectively, “Janssen”).

The proposed Settlements require the Distributors and Janssen to pay billions of dollars to abate the opioid epidemic. Specifically, the Settlements require the Distributors to pay up to \$21 billion over 18 years and Janssen to pay up to \$5 billion over no more than 9 years, for a total of \$26 billion (the “Settlement Amount”). Of the Settlement Amount, approximately \$22.7 billion is earmarked for use by participating states and subdivisions to remediate and abate the impacts of the opioid crisis.

The Settlements also contain injunctive relief provisions governing the opioid marketing, sale and distribution practices at the heart of the states’ and subdivisions’ lawsuits and further require the Distributors to implement additional safeguards to prevent diversion of prescription opioids.

Each of the proposed Settlements has two key participation steps. First, each state decides whether to participate in the Settlements. Vermont has joined both Settlements. Second, the subdivisions within each participating state must then decide whether to participate in the Settlements. Generally, the more subdivisions that participate, the greater the amount of funds that flow to that state and its participating subdivisions. Any subdivision that does not participate cannot directly share in any of the settlement funds, even if the subdivision’s state is settling and other participating subdivisions are sharing in settlement funds. However, if the individual subdivision does not participate, the allocated sums will go to the Abatement Fund.

This letter is part of the formal notice required by the Settlements.

WHY IS YOUR SUBDIVISION RECEIVING THIS NOTICE?

You are receiving this letter because Vermont has elected to participate in both of the national Settlements against (1) the Distributors, and (2) Janssen, and your subdivision may participate in the Settlements. This notice is being sent directly to subdivisions and also to attorneys for subdivisions that we understand are litigating against these companies. If you are represented by an attorney with respect to opioid claims, please immediately contact them. Please note that there is no need for subdivisions to be represented by an attorney or to have filed a lawsuit to participate in the Settlements.

WHERE CAN YOU FIND MORE INFORMATION?

This letter is intended to provide a brief overview of the Settlements. Detailed information about the Settlements may be found at: <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com/>. This national settlement website also includes links to information about how the Settlements are being implemented in your state and how settlement funds will be allocated within your state. This website will be supplemented as additional documents are created. The Vermont Attorney General's Office web site also contains information about the Settlements at: <https://ago.vermont.gov/opioid-settlement/>. Questions can also be directed to the Vermont Attorney General's Office at ago.opioidsettlement@vermont.gov.

HOW DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE SETTLEMENTS?

You must go to the national settlement website to register to receive in the coming weeks and months the documentation your subdivision will need to participate in the Settlements (if your subdivision is eligible). All required documentation must be executed and submitted electronically through the website and must be executed using the "DocuSign" service. As part of the registration process, your subdivision will need to identify, and provide the email address for, the individual who will be authorized to sign formal and binding documents on behalf of your subdivision.

Your unique Subdivision Identification Number to use to register is: 5Y2HEA

HOW WILL SETTLEMENT FUNDS BE ALLOCATED IN EACH STATE?

The settlement funds are first divided among the participating states according to a formula developed by the Attorneys General that considers population and the severity of harm caused by the opioid epidemic in each participating state. Each state's share of the abatement funds is then further allocated within each state according to the default provisions in the agreements. Within the State of Vermont, the settlement funds are allocated into three (3) buckets. They are:

- 15% to state subdivisions to be used to abate the opioid crisis (the "Subdivision Fund");
- 15% to states to remediate for past expenses of the opioid crisis or for future abatement (the "State Fund"); and
- 70% to a statewide abatement fund (the "Abatement Fund").

Exhibit G of the Settlement Agreements provides the calculation of the relative allocation of funds available to the respective subdivision as a portion of the 15% subdivision settlement bucket. Further information is available from at the Vermont Attorney General's web site: <https://ago.vermont.gov/opioid-settlement/>.

You may be contacted by the Attorney General's Office with additional information regarding the allocation of settlement funds in the State of Vermont. Subdivisions with representation can expect information from their attorneys as well. We encourage you to review all materials and to follow up with any questions. The terms of these Settlements are complex, and we want to be sure you have all the information you need to make your participation decision.

WHY YOU SHOULD PARTICIPATE

A vast majority of states have joined the Settlements, and attorneys for many subdivisions have already announced support for them. For example, the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee, charged with leading the litigation on behalf of more than 3,000 cities, counties and others against the opioid industry, and consolidated in the national multi-district litigation ("MDL") pending before Judge Dan Aaron Polster in the Northern District of Ohio, recommends participation in these Settlements. It is noted that Vermont cities and towns who did not participate in the MDL have the same opportunity to receive settlement proceeds as those jurisdictions that filed a lawsuit.

Subdivision participation is strongly encouraged, for the following reasons:

First, the amounts to be paid under the Settlements, while insufficient to abate the epidemic fully, will allow state and local governments access to funds designed to curb opioid addiction, overdose and death;

Second, time is of the essence. The opioid epidemic continues to devastate communities around the country. These settlement processes will provide funds to address the epidemic in our communities;

Third, if there is not sufficient subdivision participation in these proposed Settlements, the Settlements will not be finalized, the important business practice changes will not be implemented, the billions of dollars in abatement funds will not flow to communities, and more than 3,000 cases may be sent back to their home courts for trial, which will take many years;

Fourth, the extent of participation by subdivisions litigating in Vermont and those whose populations exceed 10,000, also will determine how much money each state and its local subdivisions will receive because approximately half of the abatement funds are in the form of "incentive payments," *i.e.*, the higher the participation of subdivisions in a state, the greater the amount of settlement funds that flow into that state;

Fifth, you know first-hand the effects of the opioid epidemic on your community. Funds from these Settlements will be used to help abate the crisis and provide relief in the State of Vermont while litigation and settlement discussions proceed against other defendants in the opioid industry;

Sixth, because pills do not respect boundaries, the opioid epidemic is a national crisis that needs a national solution.

NEXT STEPS

These Settlements require that you take affirmative steps to “opt in” to the Settlements. If you do not act, you will not receive any settlement funds. If litigating subdivisions and those in excess of 10,000 citizens do not “opt in,” we will not be able to achieve the participation thresholds necessary to maximize the amount of available abatement funds to our state.

First, register your subdivision on the national settlement website so that information and documents required to participate can be sent to you. You will need the email address of the person who will be authorized to sign on behalf of your subdivision. This is the only action item needed at this time.

Second, have your authorizing person(s) or body begin to review the materials on the websites concerning the settlement agreement terms, allocation and other matters. Develop a list of questions for your counsel or the Attorney General’s Office. In the very near future, your subdivision will need to begin the process of deciding whether to participate in the proposed Settlements, and subdivisions are encouraged to work through this process well before the January 2, 2022, deadline to be an initial participating subdivision. Again, the Attorney General’s Office, your counsel, and other contacts within the state are available to discuss the specifics of the Settlements within your state, and we encourage you to discuss the terms and benefits of the Settlements with them.

Third, monitor your email for further communications, which will include a Participation Agreement, Release, (where applicable) a model Resolution, and instructions on executing using DocuSign.

We urge you to view the national settlement website and the Vermont Attorney General’s web page at <https://ago.vermont.gov/opioid-settlement/> at your earliest convenience. These web sites contain information and documents regarding the national Settlements. Questions about the settlements can also be directed to the Vermont Attorney General’s Office at ago.opiodsettlement@vermont.gov.

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200263	ALDRICH & ELLIOTT, PC	10/01/21 WWTF Final Design 80136	20-5-60-20130 WW Final Design	25945.00	50157	10/11/21
200263	ALDRICH & ELLIOTT, PC	10/01/21 Mapping/SSSES Phase 1 80140	20-5-60-20150 Sewer Mapping	510.00	50158	10/11/21
100015	ALLEN ENGINEERING & CHEMI	09/30/21 chlorine 11152274601	20-5-55-50120 Sodium Hypochlorite	580.80	50159	10/11/21
310590	AMERICAN WINDOW CLEANING	10/01/21 September 6295	10-5-22-43100 Town Office	50.00	50160	10/11/21
100190	BLUE SEAL FEEDS	09/14/21 vinegar 329-8142	10-5-22-43160 Parks Maint.	25.96	50161	10/11/21
100190	BLUE SEAL FEEDS	09/14/21 vinegar 329-8143	10-5-22-43160 Parks Maint.	25.96	50161	10/11/21
100275	BRANDON FREE PUBLIC LIBRA	09/27/21 appropriation OCT 2021	10-5-25-70470 Brandon Library	7666.67	50162	10/11/21
100280	BRANDON LUMBER & MILLWORK	09/14/21 pickling salt canning 904029/3	10-5-22-43160 Parks Maint.	3.99	50163	10/11/21
100280	BRANDON LUMBER & MILLWORK	09/28/21 clamps for radar signs 905873/3	10-5-15-45120 Signs & Posts	49.39	50163	10/11/21
100280	BRANDON LUMBER & MILLWORK	09/28/21 nutdriver, PVC cap 905882/3	10-5-15-45120 Signs & Posts	10.98	50163	10/11/21
100280	BRANDON LUMBER & MILLWORK	09/29/21 hedge trimmer kit 906062/3	10-5-22-43120 Municipal Mowing-maint	99.99	50163	10/11/21
100280	BRANDON LUMBER & MILLWORK	10/04/21 fasteners 906662/3	10-5-18-62000 DOG PARK EXPENDITURES	3.60	50163	10/11/21
100280	BRANDON LUMBER & MILLWORK	10/05/21 painting supplies 906810/3	10-5-18-60070 Estabrook Fundraising	165.41	50163	10/11/21
100310	BRANDON SENIOR CITIZENS C	09/27/21 appropriation OCT 2021	10-5-25-70480 Senior Citizen Center	1125.00	50164	10/11/21
301503	CHAMPLAIN VALLEY FUELS	09/27/21 gasoline 545321	10-5-14-41130 Fuel - Vehicles	528.81	50165	10/11/21
301503	CHAMPLAIN VALLEY FUELS	09/21/21 diesel fuel 545426	10-5-15-41130 Fuel - Vehicles HW	413.70	50166	10/11/21
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300755	CHEMSEARCHFE	09/21/21 drain cleaner 7518245	20-5-55-51310 Collection Systems	207.50	50167	10/11/21
310097	COMCAST	09/27/21 service: 10/04 - 11/03 TO 09/27/21	10-5-10-42100 Telephone Exp. Admin.	598.83	50168	10/11/21
310097	COMCAST	09/21/21 service: 09/28 - 10/27 WW 09/21/21	20-5-55-42100 Wastewater Telephone	191.49	50169	10/11/21
100470	CROSBY'S SALES & SERVICE	09/27/21 rewind rope 0066435	10-5-15-41160 HW Maint. Supplies-Vehicl	3.87	50170	10/11/21
310927	DENNIS NEWTON ELECTRICAL	09/17/21 service to heat pumps 273525	10-5-22-43100 Town Office	958.05	50171	10/11/21
310733	DENTON & SON	09/30/21 rubbish removal SEPT2021	20-5-55-50160 Sludge Disposal	425.00	50172	10/11/21
100456	DUBOIS & KING INC	09/28/21 S6 CI Progress rpt #100 921153	46-5-50-61200 RT 7 C.I. - Construction	2249.38	50173	10/11/21

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100494	ENDYNE INC	09/23/21 testing 386340	20-5-55-22120 Testing	135.00	50175	10/11/21
100494	ENDYNE INC	09/24/21 testing 386544	20-5-55-22120 Testing	75.00	50175	10/11/21
100494	ENDYNE INC	10/01/21 testing 387823	20-5-55-22120 Testing	25.00	50175	10/11/21
100756	F W WEBB COMPANY	09/27/21 couplers 73161478	20-5-55-51310 Collection Systems	245.97	50176	10/11/21
300187	FLORENCE CRUSHED STONE	09/25/21 plant mix 230748	10-5-15-46140 Gravel	134.55	50177	10/11/21
100009	FRANKLIN PAINT CO., INC.	09/22/21 traffic paint 171329	10-5-15-45130 Line Painting	1294.61	50178	10/11/21
100645	G STONE MOTORS INC	09/15/21 repairs to trk #1 73237	10-5-15-41180 HW Outside Maint. - Vehic	744.63	50179	10/11/21
100216	GRAYBAR ELECTRIC CO INC	09/24/21 security light 9323531884	56-5-19-20200 Park & Ride Equip Exp	6800.00	50180	10/11/21
100725	GREEN MOUNTAIN GARAGE	09/24/21 shop supplies 173321	10-5-15-41160 HW Maint. Supplies-Vehicl	89.20	50181	10/11/21
100725	GREEN MOUNTAIN GARAGE	10/06/21 diesel exhaust fluid 173797	20-5-55-43160 Maint. Supplies - General	14.64	50181	10/11/21
100559	HACH COMPANY	09/07/21 pH electrode 12630311	20-5-55-30120 Professional Supplies	369.22	50182	10/11/21
100792	HULBERT SUPPLY CO INC	09/28/21 fernco for radar signs X012783	10-5-15-45120 Signs & Posts	4.65	50183	10/11/21
301025	IMPACT FIRE SERVICES LLC	09/17/21 service fire extinguisher 10462612	10-5-14-41110 New Equipment - Vehicles	114.00	50184	10/11/21
200215	JP COOKE CO	10/05/21 2022 dog tags 1196350	10-5-13-20250 Dog License Expense	138.50	50185	10/11/21
310751	KILPECK PROPERTY MANAGEME	09/15/21 Brush Hog -BIC lot 1844	10-5-22-43160 Parks Maint.	390.00	50186	10/11/21
100029	LAWES AGRICULTURAL SERVIC	10/04/21 conservation mix 25542	10-5-15-44110 Ditching	735.00	50187	10/11/21
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301033	MOMAR INC	09/23/21 polymer flocculent PSI414964	20-5-55-51310 Collection Systems	411.05	50189	10/11/21
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310795	NATIONAL BUSINESS TECHNOL	09/24/21	lease: copiers IN444342	10-5-10-30130 Service Contracts	90.00	50191	10/11/21
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310842	RHR SMITH & COMPANY	09/24/21	audit field work 2021-1335	10-5-10-22110 Auditors	4200.00	50193	10/11/21
100479	RSVP	09/30/21	appropriation OCT 2021	10-5-25-70150 RSVP	550.00	50194	10/11/21
300375	RUTLAND CITY	09/30/21	August sludge processing 30009SLUDG	20-5-55-50160 Sludge Disposal	5737.50	50195	10/11/21
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330348	VERIZON WIRELESS	09/22/21	service: Aug 23 - Sep 22 9889025915	10-5-14-20233 MDT/Aircards	240.06	50201	10/11/21
301026	WATCHGUARD VIDEO	09/21/21	digital recorder assy ADVREP218621	10-5-14-20232 Radio Maintenance	480.00	50202	10/11/21
100577	WILK PAVING, INC	09/27/21	hot mix HM21-318	10-5-15-46110 Paving Roads	193.28	50203	10/11/21
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To the Treasurer of TOWN OF BRANDON, We Hereby certify
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are good and sufficient vouchers supporting the payments
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