

**Georgia Selectboard Meeting**  
**Monday, September 12, 2016**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Approved:** September 26, 2016

**Present:** Selectboard: Chris Letourneau; Matt Crawford; Ric Nye; Tara Wright; Paul Jansen; and Mike McCarthy, Town Administrator

**Absent:** None

**Public Present:** Abby Ledoux, Milton Independent; Matt Wilson, Chris Costello, Katie Driver, Kent Henderson and Alexandra Curtis

Mike McCarthy added the following to the agenda.

1. Special Events Permit from ZG Holding, dba Zero Gravity for a gathering at the Georgia Beach on October 2, 2106 that would involve the sale of beer. They have to go through the local Selectboard sitting as the local Liquor Control Board and then through the State for permits. They will be here under public appearance to discuss this further.
2. Catering Event Permit from Bayside pavilion to serve alcohol at a private event on October 1, 2016.

**Public Appearance:**

Kent Henderson, Katie Driver, Matt Wilson and Chris Costello. Kent Henderson is here as the Chair of Friends of Northern Lake Champlain. For the last six years we have held a run for the lake down at the Town Beach. In the past we were sponsored by Audi and this year we changed sponsors. In addition to that we have a great event coordinator that is running the event. Her name is Katie Driver.

Katie described the event. This year we have a 3K walk, 5K run and a 10K run. We have also added a kid's fun run and a relay. At the end of the race Zero Gravity, partnering with us, those who are of age would get a beverage. Then if they would like they can purchase an additional beverage. The run starts at 9:00 and we expect that we will be done by 1:00 p.m. at the very latest. It is not an all-day huge affair, it is more of a way to get out and support the lake.

There are a lot of runs that do have beer for sale. Not everybody is going to purchase, not everybody is even going to take their free beer. Then we will have a raffle at the end. This is community, family oriented event, not a night time event with music that is going to last into the evening.

Motion made to waive the Beach Rental Fees for the Friends of Northern Lake Champlain event on October 2, 2016, made by Matt, second by Tara. No further discussion. All in favor.

Zero Gravity is donating the proceeds to Friends of Northern Lake Champlain. The nice thing about being able to use the pavilion is that we can keep the alcohol contained in this one area. We will be using bracelets for people over 21. There will be a Sheriff at this event.

The Selectboard had a general discussion regarding insurance. VLCT/PACIF said that they can insure it and cover it. The Friends of Northern Lake Champlain and Zero Gravity can produce a Certificate of Insurance naming the Town as an additional insurer.

The Selectboard will discuss this further in Executive Session and get back with everyone tomorrow with a decision.

2. Ekalview LLC, dba Bayside for a request to cater malt, vinous and spirituous liquors for a wedding reception on private property.

Motion to approve Ekalview LLC, dba Bayside Catering Permit, made by Tara, second by Ric. No further discussion. All in favor.

### **Review of Minutes:**

Minutes of the August 22, 2016, regular meeting were reviewed and discussed. Motion made to approve the 8/22/16 regular meeting, as presented, made by Paul, second by Matt. No further discussion. All in favor

### **Review of Warrants:**

Motion to approve Check Warrant Report PR #34 for period end 8/25/16; Check Warrant Report PR #35 for period end 9/1/16; Check Warrant Report AP #58 for payroll transfers to Citizens Bank, James & Alma Gallagher, VMERS DB, and VT Dept. of Taxes; Check Warrant Report AP #59 for payroll transfers to Citizens Bank and James & Alma Gallagher; Check Warrant Report AP #60 for payroll transfer to Citizen Bank and James & Alma Gallagher; Check Warrant Report AP#61 for the Fall Fest, made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion to approve Check Warrant Report AP #62, for the general fund, made by Paul, second by Matt. No further discussion. All in favor.

### **Selectboard Concerns:**

None

It is the general consensus that the Selectboard move #7 up to #1 as Kent Henderson is here to discuss.

### **Unfinished Business Report:**

1. Update – Russell Green parking area. State permit received, copy in your packet, application for bid to construct also in your packet. The bids for the parking lot have been sent out. The bid deadline is September 23, where the bids will be opened at Ruggiano's Office. Kent and Mike both intend to be there.

The information will then be presented to the Selectboard at the next meeting.

2. Update – Public Gathering Ordinance. Full draft in your packed. This will obviously need legal review when the Board decided the format/content is to their liking. The Selectboard had a general discussion regarding the ordinance. Mike will forward this document to VLCT for review before the adoption process begins.

3. Update – Process to convey legal trails on Georgia Mountain. Mike talked to the folks up there and a survey has not been done. Mike also informed the applicants that the Town is not going to pay for the survey. No action taken.

4. Update – Pattee Hill Road. Copy of email from State in your packet. The road is in good shape and does not need reconfiguration. Some small suggestions from the State for improvement/safety. Mike will forward the information to the residents that attended the meeting where they expressed their concern with the road.
5. Update – Library bathroom. Carpentry portion complete, including lock on door. The other bathroom that had the leaky toilet will be repaired soon. Both bathrooms are functioning properly.
6. Update – Streetlight replacement. Efficiency Vermont has agreed to do it at no cost to the Town. Paperwork will be forthcoming.
7. Update – VLCT Equipment Grant. We received 100% of what was asked for back up cameras for highway and fire departments. This is a 50-50 grant. The cameras have been ordered.

**New Business:**

None

**Action Items:**

1. Review and act upon new applicant for First Response – Chelsea Dubie. She is well qualified, copy of her resume is in your packet. Matt asked for an updated Roster of First Response.

Motion made to accept the recommendation of First Response and hire Chelsea Dubie for First Response, made by Ric, second by Matt. No further discussion. All in favor.

2. Review and act upon request from Zoning Administrator for authorization of Stitzel, Page & Fletcher to enter appearance for Town of Georgia in Appeal of Planning Commission decision on Harrison Quarry.

Motion made to approve of the Zoning Administrator’s request to have Stitzel, Page and Fletcher to enter appearance for the Town of Georgia in the Appeal of Planning Commission decision on the Harrison Quarry, made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

3. Review and act upon resignation of Dan Foley from the Zoning Board of Adjustment and review and act upon request from Zoning Administrator for appointment of two alternate members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Motion made to accept the resignation of Dan Foley from the Zoning Board of Adjustment and to appoint two alternate members, Suzanna Brown and Tony Heinlein, to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, until Town Meeting (March 2017), made by Tara, second by Ric. Matt opposed, all others in favor.

**Administrator’s Correspondences and Tasks:**

1. Proposal for bids – Russell Green Parking Area. Discussed under unfinished business.
2. Receipt of painting of old town hall. This was an attic find by Mrs. Perry of Swanton while cleaning out her mother-in-law’s house. She brought it in to give to Georgia. The Town Administrator will send a thank you letter to Mrs. Perry.
3. Estimate – restoration of Veterans Memorial pavers and drainage. There are more bids to come. Informational at this time.

4. Georgia Recreation area, water samples update, swim at own risk signs. Everything is up to date and current. Informational.

**Treasurer's Correspondence:**

1. General Ledger Checking Account Balance Worksheet – Ending August 31, 2016.

**General Correspondence:**

1. VLCT – Health Insurance Advisory Services Program information.
2. Vermont State Police – August 2016 patrol activity summary.
3. American Tower – Notice of overpayment of rent.
4. Town of Georgia Delinquent Tax Collector – Notice of Tax Sales.

**State of Vermont Correspondence:**

None

**Brochures, Newsletters, Workshops, and Advertisements:**

None

**Items for Signature:**

None

**Legal Correspondence:**

None

**Confidential / Executive Session Items:**

1. Contracts/Legal.

Motion to go into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m., is requested at this time to discuss contracts, labor relations agreements with employees, arbitration or mediation, grievances, other than tax, pending or probable litigation, or confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Town of Georgia involving the Town, specifically finding that premature general public knowledge of the subject matter would clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage, made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion to come out of Executive Session made at 8:09 p.m. by Matt, second by Ric. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion out of Executive Session to approve the Myers contract for rubbish removal, made by Matt, second by Paul. No further discussion. All in favor.

Motion out of Executive Session to approve of the application of ZG Holdings, LLC for a Special Events Permit at the Town Recreation Area on October 2, 2016, with conditions. The Town Administrator will confer with VLCT legal and send permit and conditions to ZG Holdings. No further discussion. Chris opposed, all others in favor.

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. made by Paul, second by Ric. No further discussion. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted by Krissy Jenkins.

Monday, September 26, 2016, Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.