EDEN TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

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Present at the meeting were Tim Bullard, Ricky Morin, Clayton Whittemore, Melissa Whitcomb, Leslie White, Erica Webb, Pamela Uhlendorff and Johnna Uhlendorff.

- 1. Open Meeting. Tim Bullard opened the meeting at 6:00 pm.
- 2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda: There were none.
- 3. Citizens Input: None
- 4. Beach Update: Since a new rope has been purchased, new flotation devices will also be ordered and strung in preparation for next year. The swimming season is over and the existing rope will be brought in. Some additional leaks and slow drains have been noted so when the plumber comes to close out the season, those issues will be addressed. A professional photographer came to take some photos that will be published next season. The manager asked that all campers make sure they use the provided facilities when camping. The rules and regulations are being reviewed for any possible changes needed. The rates have not been raised in 5 years and with the added expenses incurred, rate increases are being considered for seasonal camping, tent camping and shelters. Also, under consideration is charging children from ages 3 to 12 \$1.00, which would be half the price that is charged (\$2.00) by all Vermont State Parks for kids the same age. Children under 3 years will continue to be free. Grates for 2 of the charcoal grills need replacing. The Road Commissioner will bring some fill to complete the additional landscaping that has been implemented.
- 5. Animal Control Officer Update: Matt Hill came to the meeting to discuss fines and also a stray dog that has been wandering up on East Hill. The animal was caught, placed in the kennel at the Town Clerk's Office but went over the top of the fence and has not been seen again. Matt offered to act as Animal Control Officer for the town in addition to being Constable. Ricky motioned to appoint Matt as the Dog Officer. Clayton seconded. Agreed.
- 6. Health Officer Update: An animal bite was reported when the owner tried to break up a fight between their own dogs. The health officer was contacted. The town is notified when someone in town seeks medical attention from such an incident.
- 7. Sign Orders
- $8. \, \text{Minutes: Review minutes of } 9/10/24. \, \text{Clayton motioned to accept the minutes as written. }$ Ricky seconded. Approved.
- 9. Highway Department Update: The newly constructed driveway access on Griggs Road needs to have some modifications to comply with town specifications. The north end of the inlet needs to be armored. Sandblasting of one of the trucks will wait until the spring of 2025. A request to dig across White Road to run a power line was requested. Ricky made the motion to approve the project with construction completed according to Town specifications. Clayton seconded. Approved.
- 10. Grant Update: The grant money to improve elections has been received and some supplies have been ordered.
- 11. Ratify Additions and Deletions: None
- 12. Other Business:
- a) Clerk's Office Addition Update. An ad will be posted in the paper to solicit bids for the construction of the addition to the Town Clerk's Office. A pre-bid meeting will be scheduled on October 15, 2024 at the Town Clerk's Office at 5:00 pm so any interested contractors can review the site. Deadline for bid submissions is October 30, 2024.
- b) Other. Weather permitting, the camp building and site across from the Lake Eden Recreation Area will be cleaned up and the septic tank for the Town Clerk's Office will be replaced. An increase in the seasonal camper rates was discussed as they have not been raised in more that 5 years. Ricky made the motion to increase the seasonal camper rates by \$100 for the summer. Tim seconded the motion, agreed. The seasonal rates will be \$2,600 if a deposit is received this fall and \$2,700 in the spring of 2025 13. FYI:
- 14. Adjourn Ricky motioned to adjourn at 7:42 pm. Tim seconded. Adjourned.

Leslie White, scribe Approved minutes