

Select Board Meeting Hybrid

Wednesday May 21, 2025 6:30 PM (T.C.) / Zoom

Members: Ken Adams Jr., Earl Domina Jr., Kevin Leavitt - telephone 8:06 PM

Guests: Cathy Mander Adams - (T.C., Zoom Host), Melissa Manka - (LCPC),

Carol Caldwell Edmunds - Town Rep. to (LCPC), Lamotte Fiber net (CUD),

Tyler Barber, Tasha Wallis - (LCPC), Seth Jensen - (LCPC),

Pam McKenna, Brent Jones, Tori Hellwig - LCPC, Dan

Nojes - (VT State Rep.), Rich Westman - (VT State Sen.)

Call to order 6:31 PM.

Ken - shared Kevin would be phoning into the meeting later.

Motion: Ken, Earl² - To accept minutes of 5/7/2025 meeting as written.

motion: passed Earl, Ken

Receive / Act on Town Board Orders,

Town Clerk - Action Items, Grants, Documents, Mail, FYI. - Cathy -

Fleet permit for when Kevin joins. Reappointment for Carol Caldwell Edmunds to Lamotte Fiber net (CUD) Board. Pam

McKenna announced she would be unable to continue as the alternate Rep. to the Lamotte Fiber net (CUD). Tyler Barber -

town resident, volunteered to fill the alternate Rep. vacancy.

Review / Adoption of Town (LEMP) - Local Emergency Management Plan.

Motion: Ken, Earl² - To adopt the Town (LEMP) as corrected.

And to have Earl Domina Jr. as chair sign adoption form.

motion: passed Ken, Earl

Town Forest Update - Melissa - shared draft

Town Forest Management Plan. Discussion led to posting draft on Town website. Look to have public forum

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DISCUSS Regional Plan Land Use Maps - Tasha, Seth - LCPC

Shared document regarding the state's goals for the future housing needs in the County by town. Shared preliminary Future Land Use map.

The legislature's passing of Act 181 has prompted redefining land use maps. Tier 3 rule making as per Act 250 permitting is in process. LCPC

Seeks input from Select Board & Town Planning Commission with updating maps. Discussion.

Kevin Leavitt joined meeting via telephone 8:06 PM

Town Highways Kevin (RC) - FEMA Project 4767 underway. Grader in town waiting weather to cooperate. Making sign covers for certain road signs versus removal/attachment every year. Patching potholes blacktop aprons. Screening gravel in the pit. Will call company status of pit gate. Sign fleet permit.

Motion: Ken, Kevin² - To authorize Earl as chair to sign Letter of Intent for FY26 Grant-in-Aide.

motion passed

Motion: Ken, Kevin² - To follow Tyler Billingsley's (East Engineering) recommendation in using Contech 10 gauge polymer coated steel single piece pipe for structures Grant culvert Back Road - 2-20 project in the amount of \$22,635.

motion passed

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FEMA 4720 Four Roads project Bidding timeline suggested by Tyler Billingsley (East Engineering) accepted by the Board. with a June 17, 2025 due date.

Board agreed to move status on Belvidere school property, etc. ahead of possible executive session.
Belvidere School Property Status deadline, brownfield, potential use, etc.

Earl - shared letter from Deb Clark Business Manager Lamoille North School District. The school board agreed to extend the timeline regarding the town's interest in acquiring the school building until September 30, 2025. Letter attached to minutes. Tori Hellwig (LCPC) - working on brown field concerns. researching insurance protection (Brella). possible uses shared, public outreach.

motion: Kevin, Ken² - Feels there is a need to go into executive Session to not put the town or bidding contractors at a disadvantage. To review bids read aloud by Earl Domina Jr. select Board Chair for Structures Grant BC 2249 culvert 2-20 Back Road.

motion: passed

motion: Earl, Ken² - To go into executive session to discuss bid proposals for structures Grant BC 2249 culvert 2-20 on Back Road. So as not to put the town or bidding contractors at a disadvantage and to allow Cathy Mander Adams (TC) to remain and participate in executive session at 9:12 P.M.

motion: passed

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Executive Session

Motion: Kevin, Ken² - To leave executive session at 9:23 pm.
motion: passed

Bib proposals read aloud prior to executive session

Gillslan and Sons Excavating - \$21,350.00

Bob Edwards & Sons Excavating - \$18,215.00

Goodhue Excavation - \$77,000

Dirt tech - \$54,375

Motion: Ken, Kevin² - Being that all bidders were responsive to the (RFP) and at the best interest of the town of Belvidere. The Select Board awards the Structures Grant project BC 2249 Culvert 2-20 on Back Road contract to the low bidder Bob Edwards & Sons Excavating in the amount of \$18,215.

motion: passed

Motion: Ken, Kevin² - To adopt the Code of Ethics Investigation and enforcement Policy.

motion: passed

Motion: Ken, Kevin² - To authorize purchase of a new computer system for the Wister's Office as best fits their needs and as financially reasonable as possible.

motion: passed

Other Business - Lamotte Fibernet seeking input for drop location for public use. School building was recommended.

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motion: Kevin, Ken² - To adjourn at 9:42 p.m.

motion: passed

Adjourned