

# **SANDGATE VERMONT SELECTBOARD MINUTES - JULY 1, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 6:05 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Board members: Joe Nolan, John Phelps, Charlie Pike, Linda Schmidt, Karen Tendrup. Minute taker: Sandy Reidy.

**DRY-HYDRANT REVIEW:** Linda Schmidt says she and John Phelps were on a call on June 23 with Troy Dare, Rural Fire Protection Manager, to discuss inspecting, evaluating, and if necessary, updating dry hydrants in Sandgate. Linda will call Mike King, Arlington Fire Chief, on July 2 to plan for back-flushing and inspection, the first steps in this process. Troy would redesign hydrants if necessary and will help with installation. Linda will be the contact with him going forward, and John will help with this project.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS:** None raised.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Joe Nolan says the Town needs someone else to be Sandgate's **Emergency Management Director**, a role that defaults to the Selectboard Chair if no one else steps up. Joe says that Vermont State Police radios do not work in Sandgate, and this must be addressed. On the project to outfit **Town Hall as an emergency shelter**, Linda says she met with engineer Frank Parent, who is sending instructions on water testing to her, and who said nothing need be done to update the septic system in Town Hall.

**ROAD REPORT:** Joe says the Road Crew is getting the ditching bucket set up on the excavator and will weed-eat guardrails and mow in the next few days. Next, they will start the project on West Road that was recently approved for a Better Back Roads grant.

**SIGN ORDERS:** Orders are signed.

**REVIEW OF JUNE 17 MINUTES:** John motions to approve; Karen Tendrup seconds; all in favor.

**ADJOURN:** Charlie Pike motions to adjourn; John seconds; all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:25.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON MONDAY JULY 15 AT 6:00 IN SANDGATE TOWN HALL.**

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Reidy and Linda Schmidt.

*A complete recording is available by request at Sandgate Town Hall.*