

**QUEENSTOWN COMMISSIONERS**

**July 12, 2017**

**PRESENT:** President Thomas B. Willis, Jr., Commissioner Hogie Schuster, and Commissioner George L. Plumbo, Jr., Brynja Booth, Town Attorney, Mike Bowell, Acting Town Manager, and Amy Moore, Town Clerk.

**REGULAR MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.**

**PUBLIC WORKS: Lane Cole**

- Obtained price for a hover mower, which is safer for cutting ditch banks and slopes. The cost is \$819. President Willis motioned to purchase the hover mower. Motion seconded by Commissioner Plumbo, with motion passing unanimously.
- Obtained prices from Pave Master and Koala Paving for resurfacing all of Maryland Avenue and Steamboat Avenue from Rt. 18 to Maryland Avenue. Pave Master was the lowest solicited price at \$44,500. President Willis motioned to accept the estimate from Pave Master. Motion seconded by Commissioner Plumbo, with motion passing unanimously.
- County has put up speed limit sign on Rt. 18. He spoke with Charlie Coppage of SHA regarding traffic calming measures available. They will meet and discuss options.

**PLANNING:**

No updates

**FINANCE COMMITTEE: Patricia Bowell**

No updates

**ACTING TOWN MANAGER: Mike Bowell**

No updates

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

General Fund checking	\$ 83,937.42
Water/Sewer checking	\$119,415.68
WWTP Project checking	\$ 4,907.12

**MINUTES:**

- President Willis motioned to accept the May 24, 2017 Closed Session minutes as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Plumbo, with motion passing unanimously.

#### **ATTORNEY UPDATES: Brynja Booth**

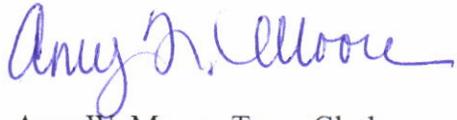
- As the Town currently has a couple residences being rented out as Air B&B's, it was determined that there are no laws in place regulating that type of operation. Ms. Booth thinks the Town should consider adopting an ordinance regulating these types of operations. She drafted one for Oxford in 2011 which has been working quite well. President Willis motioned to have Ms. Booth draft an ordinance for short term rentals for discussion and possible introduction at the August 9, 2017 meeting. Motion seconded by Commissioner Schuster, with motion passing unanimously.
- Several months ago, the Town put out an RFP for operations of our water and wastewater facilities beginning January 1, 2018. Only one bid was received, and the Town Engineer is reviewing for compliance.
- Ms. Booth requested the Commissioners grant her authority to reduce the retainer held on Wickersham Construction for the WWTP project from \$205,000 to \$173,000, based on recent discussions she's had with the design engineer GMB and Town Engineer Bob Rauch. President Willis motioned to reduce the retainer on Wickersham Construction from \$205,000 to \$173,000. Motion seconded by Commissioner Schuster, with the motion passing unanimously.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION:**

- Genie Fitzgerald - was recently in Royal Farms and found it to be dirty inside and out. The old red shoe donation bin at the entrance of the old Getty property looks horrible. These are bad impressions of the Town. Clerk will contact new owner of the old Getty property regarding the donation bin. She also inquired as to why Open Discussion is now at the end of the meeting. She was informed by President Willis that some issues that people may want to discuss, or have questions about, may be addressed during the course of our regular business. It takes time to address the concerns and questions, and then more time to discuss again later during the regular business.
- Lori Sharer - speed limit signs are few and far between in Town. There is no sign on Steamboat from Maryland to First Ave.
- Commissioners announced that the upcoming Board of Appeals hearing on the Bowlingly special exception request has been moved to the Calvary United Methodist Church.
- When asked why town employees trimmed trees and bushes on private property (Bowlingly), President Willis advised that it's been town practice to maintain the right of way along Steamboat, as well as other areas in town. The trees and bushes were trimmed to allow better access for grass mowing by the Town.

There being no further business at this time, President Willis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion seconded by Commissioner Schuster, and motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy W. Moore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Amy W. Moore, Town Clerk