

**Town of Ferrisburgh Special Meeting  
Selectboard Minutes Approved  
February 24, 2022  
6:00 p.m.**

*This meeting was held in person and electronically using Zoom.*

**Members present:** Jessica James, Jim Benoit, Chris Campbell, Clark Hinsdale, Red Muir

**Town officials present:** Pam Cousino

**Visitors present:** Carl Cole

**1. 6:00 p.m. Call special meeting to order**

Jessica James called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Letter of Intent – Real Estate**

At 6:03 p.m. Clark Hinsdale moved to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing real estate negotiations citing 1 VSA, § 313(a)(2), finding that premature general public disclosure of the discussion would put the town at a substantial disadvantage. Red Muir seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Red Muir moved to invite Carl Cole to the executive session. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION APPROVED

At 6:27 p.m., Jim Benoit moved to end executive session. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED.

At 6:28 p.m. Jim Benoit moved to resume the open session. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Clark Hinsdale moved to approve and authorize the Letter of Intent (MLS # 4863965) with Debra Townsend, Hannah Townsend Allain and or assigns from Douglas Sweets and Todd Hardie from Champlain Valley Grain Center LLC and or assigns, proposing to strike item 13B and to add March 1, 2022 as the last date for acceptance, and subject to attorney review and approval. Red Muir seconded. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

**3. Personnel**

At 6:32 p.m. Clark Hinsdale moved to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues citing 1 VSA, § 313(a)((3), finding that premature general public disclosure of the discussion would put the town at a substantial disadvantage. Red Muir seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Clark Hinsdale moved to invite Pam Cousino to the executive session. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION APPROVED

At 7:03 p.m., Red Muir moved to end executive session. Jim Benoit seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

At 7:03 p.m. Jim Benoit moved to resume the open session. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Clark Hinsdale moved to hire Steven True as Zoning Administrator effective March 1, 2022 at 30 hours per week, with an employment review after three months, at \$25.00 per hour. Jim Benoit seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Clark Hinsdale moved that pending the Zoning Administrator position being accepted, we would retain Bonnie Barnes through June 30, 2022 for 10 hours per week, at her current rate, for training and planning services. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

**4. Adjourn**

Red Muir moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Chris Campbell seconded the motion. All voted in favor. MOTION PASSED

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Cousino  
Town Clerk