Grand Isle Select Board Grand Isle Town Office 9 Hyde Rd, Grand Isle VT

Minutes of the Special Meeting for Friday December 13, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Selectboard Vice Chair, Ellen Howrigan, calls the meeting to order at 2:30pm.

Board Members Present: Ellen Howrigan, Josie Leavitt, Jen Morway, Ron Bushway

Board Members via Zoom:

<u>Community Members Present</u>: Karen Allen, Howard DeMars, Brad Sheridan, Steve More, Desiree More, John Heminway, Melissa Boutin

Community Members via Zoom: Mike Donoghue

Old Business:

<u>Town Health Insurance:</u> The meeting focused on changes to the town's health insurance plan. The board discussed the decision to switch from Blue Cross Blue Shield Platinum to MVP Gold, which resulted in increased deductibles and out-of-pocket costs for employees. Concerns were raised about the impact on employee health and potential turnover. The board considered rescinding the December 2 decision and switching to MVP Platinum.

Josie Leavitt motions to rescind the motion made on December 2nd to change the health plan. Ron Bushway seconds. No further discussion. Ellen Howrigan calls the vote. Josie Leavitt and Ron vote yay, Jen Morway and Ellen Howrigan vote nay. Motion does not pass.

Financial details included Blue Cross Platinum costing \$1,432.43 per month, MVP Gold at \$1,009.01 per month, and MVP Platinum at \$1,203.09 per month. The board agreed to revisit the issue at the next regular meeting scheduled for Monday December 16th, emphasizing the need for fiscal responsibility and employee well-being.

Adjournment: Josie Leavitt makes a motion to adjourn at 3:31pm. Ron Bushway seconds. No further discussion. Selectboard Vice Chair, Ellen Howrigan, calls the vote which passes unanimously.