



SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 14, 2023

PRESENT: Arthur Clifford, Patrick Houghton, Gail Belyea, Jason Dolloff, Katie Lawrence, Jess Carrier, Brad Hutchings, Dan Carrier Jr, Clay Berry, Earle Wingate, Jackie Child, Josh Lawrence, Lyndzi Dolloff

1. Consent Agenda: Sicotte Bridge inspection report was removed for discussion with road commissioner. Katie made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Arthur seconded the motion; all in favor. The consent agenda included the following resolutions:

1.1. Approve minutes of August 7, 2023, meeting.

1.2. Approve homestead exemption for Robyn Williams, effective 24-25 tax year.

2. Elected Officials/Board/Committee Reports

2.1. Road Commissioner, Brad Hutchings:

a) Valley Road is done. Brad has contacted a few pavers, all are one-plus months out.

b) General discussion was had regarding Sicotte Bridge inspection report. Brad shared that it gets worse every year and that he has tried for 5 years to get funding to replace, estimates cost to be \$140,000. The 5-ton weight restriction from last year's inspection is still in effect. Dan stated that the fire department does have a plan in place with said weight restriction if need be, and Brad stated that the road department's one ton can go over the bridge.

c) General discussion was had regarding Brad's mileage log in the last warrant which included 189 miles from Vermont to Peru, when he went to look at trucks for the road department on his way back from New York.

i. Arthur made a motion to reimburse Brad for all miles reported in his mileage log last warrant. Patrick seconded the motion. Vote 2-3; Katie, Gail, and Jason opposed.

ii. Arthur made a motion to reimburse Brad for all miles reported in his mileage log last warrant, excluding the 189 miles from Vermont. Katie seconded the motion. Vote 4-1, Arthur opposed.

2.2. Fire Chief, Dan Carrier Jr:

- a) Northeast is still waiting for springs and fuel tank to be delivered; except for those two things, new firetruck is ready.
- b) Dan mentioned he would be moving forward with purchasing three sets of gear with the insurance money reimbursement that was approved earlier in the evening at the special town meeting.
 - i. Katie made a motion for Dan to use reimbursed funds to purchase three sets of firefighter gear. Jason seconded the motion. Vote 4-0, Arthur abstained.

2.3. CEO, Clay Berry: Clay was present per Board request to discuss potential junkyard violations at 6 Dolloff Street, 109 Ridge Road, and 8 Valley Road; Clay will look into.

3. Unfinished Business

- 3.1. General discussion was had regarding the status of road department trucks. Katie shared that per email received, the state has decided to retain the DOT truck which they had loaned to the town last winter. Also per Katie, O'Connor is unable to give commitment dates for the medium duty truck, though there is a scheduled build date of September 11th. Katie will reach out to Freightliner of Maine; Brad shared that Mike, who he has been working with, was on vacation as of last week. Discussion was had about potential for purchasing the 6-wheeler located in Vermont; Brad will call about pricing.
- 3.2. General discussion was had regarding the status of the garage and the Building Committee. Plans still have not been stamped and there are no updates regarding a next meeting for the Building Committee. Discussion was had regarding the potential need for a temporary shelter for wintertime; this would have to be ordered soon to be delivered and up before bad weather. Options of where this might be placed were discussed, as was the idea of having a brainstorming session with the finance committee or planning board regarding the same.
- 3.3. General discussion was had regarding the certified letter sent to Steve & Denise Letarte, regarding loose cows. Denise telephoned the office earlier in the day stating fence is now secure. ACO is planning to go look at fence tomorrow. Consensus of Board is that pics may be helpful in the future.

4. New Business

4.1. Historical society building: Katie shared with the Board questions which Storer Contracting had asked about the roof RFP; discussion was had on how to answer them. General discussion was had regarding RFP for the siding and what sections need to be completed more immediately. Further discussion tabled to next meeting.

4.2. Worthley Pond Spring repairs: It was discussed briefly that the budget amount for the spring was increased this year with the idea of replacing 40 +/- feet of pipe or adding more tile this summer.

5. Public Participation

5.1. Katie made a motion to go into Public Participation at 7:57 p.m. Arthur seconded the motion. All in favor.

a) No public comments.

5.2. Arthur made a motion to come out of Public Participation at 7:58 p.m. Jason seconded the motion. All in favor.

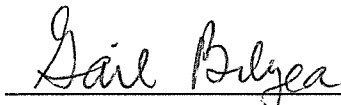
6. Adjournment

6.1. Arthur made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Patrick seconded the motion. All in favor.

Select Board Policy Workshop

Monday, August 21, 2023, at 5:00 pm

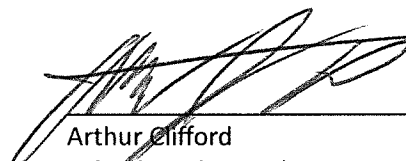
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Selectboard Chair

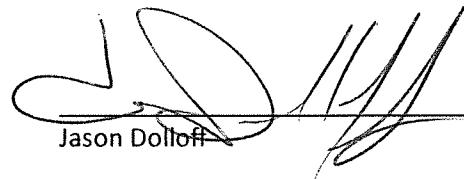
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Gail Belyea Date

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Patrick Houghton Date

Select Board Meeting

Monday, August 21, 2023, at 6:00 pm

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Jason Dolloff Date