

Select Board Minutes
Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Attendance: Gloria Dyer, Casey Tarbox, John Moulton, Peter Coughlin

- 6:00 - Call to Order by Chair, Shelly Gobeille
- Open meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance
- Sign A/P and payroll warrant

NEW BUSINESS

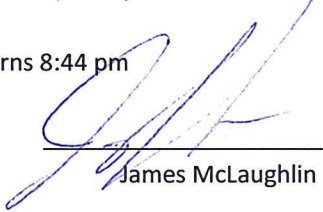
- Peter Coughlin from ME DOT regarding sand and salt buildings. Peter went over the different options and the pros and cons of each type of sand and salt storage building. He pointed out some considerations when making a decision on the type of building. He indicated to figure the cost at \$100 per cubic yard for example a building that will hold 3000 yards would be about \$300,000. He indicated that the laminated wood arcs is the most popular building style. He explained that have a round building would not work well as people are used to working with straight lines. Peter offered to help us with any of the details especially when it comes to reading the bids-everything should be included and an engineer would be required if more than \$100K is spent.
- John Moulton RE: Rescue Warrant article. Rescue has revised their original request for funds for the additional staffer. They are now requesting \$18K for daytime weekend coverage. They feel this is the best bang for our buck and should be able cover 50% of calls. Shelly made a motion to accept the order. Jeff seconded. Discussion: Nichole clarified that the 18K is now for two days not 5 that went with the original \$34500 request and that by the time this passes we will be into June almost half-way through the fiscal year. John confirmed. Vote unanimous, 3 in favor.
- Jeff brought up the Balch Dam- wire brush and painting the metal of the dam and having the chain-link fence repaired. Jeff to get pricing and then we will contact Acton.
- Fencing at Town Office. Board agreed to take out the one section. Shelly will have Brent cut one section off.
- "Extra" old handicap sign at Town Office will be cut off as well.
- Ken gates delivered some information to Nichole regarding the school budget. The town of Newfield will only see an increase of 1.53% if the budget passes.
- Discussion on a culvert on Libby Road dumping into the property at 287 Libby Road. The culvert runs under the road and floods the land. According to the deeds there are no easements which allow the water to be diverted and dumped onto the property. The town technically has no legal right to enter the property to maintain the culvert if the property owner were to plug the culvert to prevent the water. Board indicated that they would need to talk to Casey about a solution that works for the town and property owner.
- Received an email from Heidi Sampson regarding an act to protect the elderly from tax lien foreclosure. Board thinks that we have a pretty good handle on working with our tax payers and already doing what will now be required by law. Nichole to email Heidi how we handle these situations.
- Nature Conservation-FR Carroll. They will be having some selective cutting done; the Nature Conservancy who acts as the Manager of the tract of land is well aware of operations. No need for Mike Carroll to meet directly with the Board of Selectmen.
- Justine has elections training at Sunday River- 2 days in a row and the second day starting at 7:30am. She will need to spend the night and will not be at the office Tuesday the 8th and Wednesday the 9th. Shelly made a motion to send Justine to election training and for her to spend the night. Jeff seconded. No discussion Vote unanimous, 3 in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

- Discussion on Fire Proof Safes- We need 5 total (3) 4 drawers and (2) 3 drawers. One of the 3 drawers could be a 2 drawer. Nichole asked about the Town Hall Vault and whether it is safe to use again. Gloria mentioned that the vault is owned by the Planning Board she read something in the late 60's. A motion was made by Jim to spend up to \$6500 for the purchase of 5 fire proof safes. Jeff seconded. Discussion: are we required to keep copies of everything or can we put on flash drive? Nichole will have to look into. Vote unanimous, 3 in favor.

- Holes under the transfer station building. Shelly put Rat X under it Sat/Sun and will do it again Wednesday.
- Nichole working on the bid for the sale of the container.
- Trafton Moore Animal and Bird Sanctuary – Denise asked if we would like to have it logged when they do the historical society logging. Board says yes to information. Nichole to speak with forester about deed restrictions.
- PSB Roof- Board discussed getting companies to come in and meet with them- 2 per night for the next two selectmen’s meeting.
- Digital sign discussion- Shelly to speak to with a friend about the digital sign.
- Discussion on buntings and 6feet is too small. Board discussed asking Justine to make some.
- Bid specs- Nichole to check with Dave about the hydrants the town should be taking care of to make sure we have them all and any we are projecting to add this coming year.
- Nichole informed Board of a dog bite report complaint form that was received. Sarah Bryant’s son was nipped at by Joe Ianazzo’s dog. Wade met with Joe and Matt Bryant and things have been resolved. Wade will be taking a continuing education course in Orono coming up.
- Discussion on bridges- Willowbrook Bridge needs to have the concrete railing repaired. Board would like to see if the Fire department could wash down all the town maintained bridges with the fire trucks to wash away salt.
- Jeff asked if Casey could be contacted with regard to large sand berm on the guardrails on Shady Nook Road. All the sand is causing the water to wash down the road.
- Discussion on planning files that will be moved to Town Hall. They would like to lock up their photo copier as they do not want people using their supplies-they have a fixed budget. It was asked about the voting room-Nichole indicated that Justine barely has enough room to keep all her stuff in there with the addition of the tabulator (since the Planning Board moved out) Shelly mentioned a locking cabinet on stage for them.

Meeting adjourns 8:44 pm



James McLaughlin



Jeffrey Cuevas



Shelly Gobeille