



Select Board Minutes
Tuesday, January 7, 2020

Attendance: Katie Bravo, Sherry Bachelder, Gloria Dyer, Peter Washington

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

NEW BUSINESS

- Katie Bravo was in to discuss Town Hall usage for the homeschool group again on Thursday from 9:15-12:30. Shelly mentioned that they do not have a problem but discussed a barter- maybe weeding, planting mulching at the Town Hall and Town Office. Katie mentioned possibly supplying the plants. Ken feels the group is educational and knows we have a fee schedule but likes the barter deal. Board all agreed. They will start using the hall next week.
- PB Secretary Position discussion. Shelly feels that that since we have someone wanting to do it that we should just allow it. Christine is a viable candidate. She is concerned that if Gloria made the comment about nepotism at the planning board meeting we could have legal issues. Jim explained that he feels that if something was said then we should just post it, advertise, and interview. Ken explained that if we have a viable candidate and in the past we have filled the position without posting in the past then what is the issue. We have provided them with a viable candidate and they rejected it. Shelly explained that she would like the PB to know the candidate was a viable candidate. She also recommends minimum wage, the transfer station attendants make \$12/hr and our deputy town clerk makes \$14/hr so how can we hire a PB secretary for \$15/hr. Ken would like to put it in the paper for \$12-\$14/hr. Ken made a motion that the PB secretary ad be taken from the PB budget. Jim seconded. 2 approved, (Ken and Jim) 1 opposed (Shelly).
- Board received an invitation from the Rescue dept. to watch a mechanical compression device on the 15th at 6:30. All will try to attend.
- Gloria arrived and the Board discussed the PB secretary position again. Gloria mentioned maybe having a policy for an internal posting process first. She is going back to PB with that option and will let Nichole know.
- Locksmith- front door at town office was fixed and ken got a quote for the back door to make more secure and so we can access the back door via a key. Shelly made a motion to accept quote for back door and also to add Library door. Ken seconded. Discussion- they will be keyed alike. All 3 in favor. Ken to contact.
- Rocky Dundee- was not plowed the first two storms. Casey was mistaken that the road had been discontinued. Ken spoke to property owner and Nichole mailed letter asking for the removal of the satellite dish and also the mailbox. Not able to be moved now as they are frozen. Casey will plow.
- Guptil Lane- Letter was mailed to property owner, no response received. Nichole spoke to Peter Coughlin about obstructing town way and he provided procedures. Shelly made a motion to send demand letter to remove posts certified to property owner. Ken seconded. Discussion: in the interim plowing will be delayed because Casey will probably have to go up with smaller truck. Jim would like to send letter asking and not demand. Nichole explained that the first letter with no response was us asking. Vote 3 in favor.
- Ken wanted some clarification about storms under 1". Contract states not need to be plowed, but Derek does have to salt/sand walkways and Casey will do parking areas. Shelly explained that the Town Hall gets calcium chloride.

OLD BUSINESS

- High Speed Internet- Spring Road. Nichole finally received response from Ed Merrill from Atlantic Broadband. He indicated that he would like to come out some time in January about expanding service in Newfield. Nichole contacted Trask's and will inform them when meeting will take place.
- Went over ballot questions
 - ✓ Mirror Lake land-Shelly made a motion to put on the ballot whether the townspeople would like to sell this land. Ken seconded. Discussion: Jim explained that the lot is restricted as it does not meet the water setbacks and that the town should keep it as it is more valuable to us to have water access. Vote 2 in favor (Ken & Shelly) 1 opposed (Jim)
 - ✓ Ballot questions to be finalized next meeting.
- Shelly mentioned the idea of a stipend for PB and Appeals Board members- as most towns do. Jim feels this opens up Pandora's Box. Gloria feels that it is not necessary. Shelly explained that she just wanted to show appreciation from the town.
- Nichole to order sympathy cards to have on hand. Clint Andrews passed away.
- Shelly made a motion to make Ken Gates the Recreation Director. Jim seconded. Two in favor (Jim & Shelly) and 1 abstained (Ken).
- Willowbrook/Curran Homestead is now listed on the real estate market.
- PSB- heat system is complete. Last bill is included in with the warrant.
- Mileage reimbursement federal rate is 57.5 cents per mil. Nichole to adjust.
- Dedication. Shelly made a motion that the annual town report be dedicated to Jack Moriarty. Jim seconded. All in favor.
- Dump fees will take effect February 1st. Kenny to revise sheets. Jim mentioned he would like more detail on the tickets. Nichole suggested the time in addition to the date as that would help if there was an issue and we needed to review the camera footage.
- Shelly will contact plumber to see if he can meet them on a Saturday at Town hall.
- Shelly contacted Sandy about the Honor Roll sign. She will be coming out to look at sign. Shelly expressed wanting it done for Town meeting, March 14th.

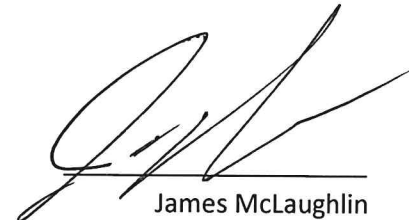
Meeting adjourns 8:45 pm (Ken made motion, Shelly seconded, all in favor)



 Shelly Gobeille



 Kenneth Gates



 James McLaughlin