

Minutes
Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday August 29, 2017

Members of Selectboard present: Chairman Colin Stubbings, Selectmen Randy Subject and Donald Mitchell

Chairman Stubbings called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. He announced the meeting would be recorded for the sole purpose of accurate minutes and further stated that others in the room may be recording, but not declared that fact.

U.S. Army Veteran Tim Cole led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Departments' Input:

Police Department- Chief Hebert distributed copies of a Safety Inspection Report we have received from Department of Labor. The Town received two violations for not having a Joint Loss Management Committee. The violations were unexpected, as there was no mention of this during the initial inspection done by Inspector Perry that took place on August 17th. Selectman Subject was present during the inspection and stated there was no mention of possible violations and was provided with information to include in our Personnel Policy and Procedure Manual. Chief Hebert stated he will follow up with Department of Labor.

PD Insurance Check- The check has been received to cover the cost of repairs to cruiser. There was a brief discussion regarding the bookkeeping procedure for the check and the payment for repairs. Chief Hebert spoke with Joyce Tompkins regarding placement of the security camera in the Old Church Building. The camera will be placed over the entrance to the building as it will not interfere with privacy during elections. Chief Hebert will have the ability to turn off the recording if it becomes necessary,

Road Agent- Frank Rodimon stated the plow truck does not qualify for the "Lemon Law"; as it only applies to vehicles under 11,000 lbs. Mr. Rodimon stated that he is still looking into options for replacing the plow truck. Mr. Rodimon stated there won't be any paving done this year due to the unexpected expenses caused by the July 1st storm. The Lake Armington access road is emergency vehicle accessible, so no work will be done there.

Mr. Rodimon gave estimated prices on a new truck, he is still gathering information.

Mr. Rodimon was contacted by the auditors for information regarding the waterline replacement project completed last year. He will look back at the minutes to get the specific information.

The culvert on Indian Pond Road is in bad shape. The beavers have returned and are causing damage in the area; so far ten have been removed from the area.

EMD- Bernie Marvin participated in a conference call to discuss FEMA funds relating to the July 1st storm. Mr. Marvin stated FEMA funds to Piermont will be delayed due to the current situation in Texas. Mr. Marvin responded to an email from the auditors requesting information regarding the grant for the repeater installed in Rescue 1.

Fire Department- Tim Cole reported that Piermont Fire Department has received a set of Jaws of Life form the Corinth Fire Department. Piermont FD participated in a training utilizing the Jaws of Life to cut open a car. There will be one more practice session using them. The cookout at the ballfield was a huge success. Mr. Cole reported that two of the canopies used at the cookout are broken. There was a brief discussion as to possible repairs being done to the canopies so they can still be used at town functions. The bridge to Bradford will be closed completely starting Tuesday September 5th. Piermont Fire

Department won't be going to Bradford for a few weeks and Bradford Fire Department will be unable to come over here.

Town Grounds- Abby Metcalf spoke on behalf of John Metcalf, in his absence. Roundup was sprayed earlier in the day per the policy. Mr. Metcalf also responded by phone to an email from the auditors regarding the replacement of cemetery fences. Two people have expressed interest in the sewer operator position being advertised.

Friends of Piermont- Abby Metcalf agreed with Tim Cole's statement that the bbq and concert were a success. There was plenty of good food, music and lots of people in attendance.

Trustees of Trust Funds- There will be a regular meeting held soon to discuss the cemeteries. They will be meeting with Mr. Kinder in October.
Frank Rodimon asked if there is a closing date set for the Piermont Pool yet. Abby Metcalf responded that the algae are starting to show up again so it will be closed soon.

Treasurer- Heather Subject submitted her monthly report to the Board. Additional copies were available on the table.

Bookkeeper/Assessing Clerk- Susan Belyea submitted an MS-1 Extension form to file in the event she is unable to have the MS-1 completed by September 1st.
Selectman Subject made a motion to sign the MS-1 Extension.
Selectman Mitchell seconded the motion.
All in favor, motion passed 3-0.

Helga Mueller stated the water testing at the lakes is done for this season.

Historical Society- Thanks to Fred Shipman, there is now another historic artifact in Piermont. The original sign has been placed back on the former town common site.

There will be a Hurricane Summit held at the Old Church Building Wednesday August 30th at 10 am.

Administrative Assistant- Jen Rugar stated she has been working with the auditors to ensure they have all the documents they have requested.

SB 38 Grant-The procedure to accept the unanticipated funds requires that we hold a Public Hearing. Chairman Stubbings provided an ad that will be placed in newspapers and posted in Piermont as Notice. Copies will be put in each of the selectmen's mailbox as well.

Baseball Field Dugouts-Ernie Hartley was absent, so Chairman Stubbings spoke on the subject. There are naturally occurring cracks in the timbers of the dugouts. If the Town provides the material, Bob Lang and Ernie Hartley have volunteered their time to stain them to avoid further damage. Selectman Subject made a motion to approve. Selectman Mitchell seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed 3-0.

Manifest- The Board reviewed and signed the manifest.

Additional Items-

Computer System support- Chairman Stubbings gave an update on the town office computers and the work being done by Stan Eckel to resolve the issues employees have been encountering. There was a discussion regarding the need for more storage capabilities for the server. The individual work stations

and user profiles seem to be running a bit better now that there has been some maintenance done on the system.

Hazard Mitigation Plan was approved and adopted by the Board on August 8th. Chairman Stubbings signed the resolution to approve the Community Service Wildfire Protection Plan provided by EMD Bernie Marvin and Fire Chief Bruce Henry to extend what the Hazard Mitigation Plan is used for.

BRB Reimbursement Application- Chairman Stubbings gave Susan Belyea a list of invoices and checks he needs copies of to complete the application.

Mertz vs. Town of Piermont, Stubbings and Subjeck- A Motion to Reconsider was filed with the court by Teran Mertz; Town counsel filed an objection and it is now up to the Court if they will accept it.

Supervisor's filing cabinet was briefly discussed. The packaging was set aside in case we need it.

Public Input- Helga Mueller asked for clarification on what truck is being discussed as needing repairs and possible replacement. Chairman Stubbings explained the orange plow truck has been breaking down constantly, not the new one-ton that was just purchased by the town.

Approve Minutes August 17, 2017- The minutes were reviewed. Corrections were made. Selectman Subjeck made a motion to accept as amended. Selectman Mitchell seconded the motion. All in favor, motion passed 3-0.

Non-Public Session- Motion to enter: Selectman Subjeck
Seconded: Selectman Mitchell
Reason: RSA 91-A:3 II (c)
Entered at: 8:46 PM
Public Session Reconvened at: 9:17 PM
Motion to Seal Minutes: Selectman Subjeck
Seconded: Selectman Mitchell
Motion passed 3-0
Reason: Adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a member of the Board

Public Session
Motion to adjourn: Selectman Subjeck
Seconded: Selectman Mitchell
Motion passed 3-0
Adjourned at 9:18 PM

Others present for the meeting (from sign-in sheet)- Tim Cole, Frank Rodimon, Susan Belyea, Abby Metcalf, Helga Mueller, Heather Subjeck, Gary Hebert, Bernie Marvin

Respectfully submitted,

Jen Rugar,
Administrative Assistant

Board of Selectmen:

Colin Stubbings, Chair

Randy Subjeck

Donald Mitchell

Approved: 9/7/17