

Minutes
Board of Selectman Meeting
Tuesday May 22, 2018

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

Chairman Stubbings called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. 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.

Tim Cole led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Department Heads Input:

EMD – Bernie Marvin reported that everything is all set for the Memorial Day Parade, including the monument. He has confirmed the band will be here. The 911 renumbering process for Route 25C is coming along nicely. He is hoping to not have to change many of the residents' numbers. His next target area to work on is places that are out of sequence and have repeating numbers.

Road Agent – Frank Rodimon reported the water has been turned on in the cemeteries. They are still working on grading roads around town. He asked the board for permission to put "No Unauthorized Personnel" signage on the well house and distribution box. The board granted him permission. Frank also announced he has ordered his winter sand from Bixby's in Warren. He is also getting in a load of magnesium. He received an invoice of \$2800.00 for the repairs to the dump truck.

Town Clerk – Bernadette Ratel reported her monthly report is not out yet due it not being month end yet. She asked for authorization to hire a deputy Town Clerk & Tax Collector. The person Bernadette has chosen is Brittany Hatch who is a resident of Piermont. Ms. Ratel stated that she would like Ms. Hatch to begin work next week. There was a motion made by Selectman Subject to authorize Bernadette's choice for employment, pending back ground checks & references. The motion was seconded by Don Mitchell. All in favor, 3-0. Selectman Subject stated that he would get the paperwork for this.

Treasurer – Heather Subject said she would pass along a "Thank You" to deputy treasurer Diane for helping out last week even though she was under the weather. She also reported that the recreation info that Chairman Stubbings had requested is in his mailbox as well as some additional check info.

Fire Chief - Bruce Henry reported there are 16 members of the fire department, and there are 6 members on the fast squad. They had 12 calls this month. One of which was a brush fire in Haverhill Corner on the Pike side. He stated there will be no more grass burning. The Taylor Farm in Orford asked for their pond to be flushed, so Mr. Henry stated the fire department will be taking care of that on

Saturday. Mr. Henry also reported that they are ready for the Memorial Day parade and they will have 3 honor guard members at the cemeteries on Sunday as well.

Trustees of Trust Funds – Abby Metcalf said that John has been busy with the mowing. The ball fields have been mowed. She also stated that some checks were mistakenly sent directly to Stifel Nicolaus. Abby also reported that she and Polly Marvin have been working on cleaning up the Piermont Veterans Memorial Garden and getting the mulching done.

Transfer Station / Recycling Center – Wayne Godfrey reported there has been 29.40 tons of trash to date and 16.3 tons of zero sort recycling. The aluminum cans and various metals is still at a ½ ton. He reported \$4,136.51 in bag sales, but he is missing the February statement so he plans to add to the reported amount. The demo and not bagged items total \$1,633.00. The tires have been called in. There is to be a load of metal going out which will bring in \$360.00 to the Town. There was an incident at the dump in which a resident asked to throw a propane tank away. Mr. Godfrey stated the cost was \$1.00, to which the resident replied that he should have just put it in his trash bag and thrown it in with his regular trash. Mr. Godfrey explained to the resident the safety concerns of doing so. Chairman Stubbings asked Mr. Godfrey about the ACO appointment. Wayne said that he had emailed the chairman and wished to make no further comment at this time.

Conservation Commission – Helga Mueller had nothing to report at this time.

The board approved the manifest.

Chairman Stubbings reported the board has received 2 intent to excavate applications each with \$100 check to the state from John Simpson. Pertaining to tax map R18 Lot 8A for 2017-2018 & 2018 – 2019. Mr. Stubbings has an inquiry into the DRA as to how the intents are to be numbered.
Motion to accept the proposed intents subject to the numbering and confirmation of tax receipt:
Selectman Subjeck
Seconded: Selectman Mitchell
All in favor, 3-0

Chairman Stubbings reported an update to the cross walk changes. The school crosswalk signs will be removed and replaced with regular crosswalk signs during the resurfacing project.

Chairman Stubbings asked the board if they had yet reviewed the DRA equalization valuation. To which the board replied, not at this time. Mr. Stubbings stated that the appeal has to be in by this Friday, but that he doesn't anticipate any problems.

The next item up was 235 Route 25C. Chairman Stubbings stated that at a previous meeting the board was asked to contact the owner of said property to get it cleaned up. Mr. Stubbings said he was contacted by the Health Officer, Alex Medicott to discuss the property following a residents health

complaint. Mr. Medicott has arranged a meeting with the owner's assigned contractor of the property. Mr. Stubbings will update the board as to the outcome of that meeting.

Public Input – Helga asked if Mr. Simpson was excavating on the proposed subdivided lot? Chairman Stubbings responded yes, but that he will be excavating further up the hill. Helga then inquired about the cross walk. Chairman Stubbings responded when the State repaves Route 10, the crosswalk will be replaced up the road from its current location to be more in line with the school's driveway and rather than being a "school crosswalk" it will just become a regular crosswalk.

Abby Metcalf asked if a new bookkeeper has been hired yet. Chairman Stubbings replied yes, the new bookkeeper had started on Monday May 21. Abby asked for the person's name and previous work experience. Selectman Subject answered her and stated the new bookkeeper's name is Johnna Bishop. Her previous work experience included several years at PT Farm. Abby asked if she was a resident, and Selectman Subject stated she is from Bath. Abby further asked if the offices were open and Selectman Subject said no, the offices will be closed this week for training purposes and will re-open Tuesday morning, but Ms. Metcalf could still have access to her mailbox in the office.

The selectboard reviewed the minutes for dates 5/3/18, 5/8/18, 5/10/18 & 5/17/18 and made changes.

Motion to accept the minutes and changes: Selectman Subject

Seconded: Selectman Mitchell

All in favor, 3-0 motion passed.

Motion to enter non-public session at 8:42PM was made by Selectman Subject. Per RSA 91-A:3, II (b), the hiring of any person as a public employee & matters which, if discussed in public would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board.

Seconded by Selectman Mitchell

All in favor, 3-0

Public session reconvened at 10:15PM. Selectman Subject made a motion to seal the minutes; failure to do so would adversely affect the reputation of a person other than a member of this board & render a proposed action ineffective.

Selectman Mitchell seconded the motion.

All in favor, 3-0 motion passed

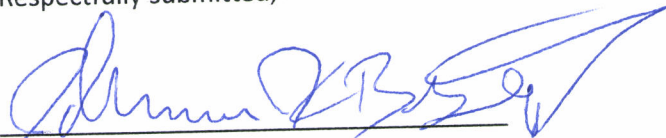
Motion to adjourn: Selectman Subject

Seconded: Selectman Mitchell

All in favor, 3-0 motion passed

Adjourned 10:16PM

Respectfully submitted,

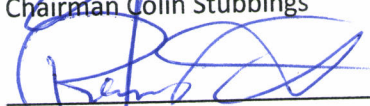


Johnna Bishop,
Administrative Assistant, Board of Selectman

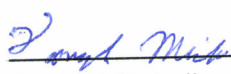
Board of Selectman:



Chairman Colin Stubbings



Randy Subjeck



Donald Mitchell