

JEFFERSON SELECT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2024

Present: Pamela Grotton, Robert Clark, Jr., Claudia Orff-Reed

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 pm.

Meeting Minutes: May 6, 2024 - approved (2-0)

Handouts

ROAD COMMISSIONER:

- North Mountain Road - Pam took North Mountain Road on her way home after the last meeting and found there wasn't any excessive sand, no more than on any of the other roads in town.
- Hodgkins Hill Road - The Road Commissioner will begin filling the potholes tomorrow (05/21/2024).
- Boswell Bridge - Robert went to look at the bridge and didn't see any issues, the guard rails were in place and the grids appeared to be fine.
- Egypt Road:
 - Lynne will order signs ('25 mph' and 'No Trucks Through') to post on Egypt Road.
 - The Road Commissioner will work on Egypt Road for the next few weeks, and Robert will drive by before the next Select Board meeting to view the progress.
 - Discussion about blasting and how to proceed and putting it out to bid: having someone do just the blasting (such as Maine Drilling and Blasting – Tim Purrington), or having a contractor come in (such as McGee) and have them hire the blasting company. The blasting company alone does not remove the debris, so it will still need to be cleaned up and hauled off.

ANDREW WILLIAMSON SCHOLARSHIP:

- The scholarship was signed by the Select Board.
- Discussion about a request to merge this scholarship with other scholarships, Lynne will find out if this takes a Town vote or Select Board approval.

SIGN PROPERTY AND CASUALTY BUILDING AND PP SCHEDULE, ETC:

- The Select Board signed the necessary documents.

CANNABIS ORDINANCE:

- The Planning Board needs to make changes to the application to eliminate the CEO and Fire Department inspection on renewal applications. *voted on by the Select board 3-0*
- Signing the Elevation Station renewal application was put on hold, pending further review.

ABATEMENT:

- The abatement to remove the tax for the Estate of Ethel M Duvall/Stephanie Caissie was signed, property was combined, this second billing was a duplication.

VOTING BOOTHS:

- A motion was made, and seconded, to purchase new voting booths, at a cost of \$2,674.06. (3-0)

OTHER:

- Personnel Policy - Pam would like to begin to review the Personnel Policy at the next Select Board meeting.
- Headstones in the Munsey Road Cemetery - Lynne to contact the company to make the necessary repairs.
- Town Office Wiring - LCI is scheduled to connect fiber optic lines to the Town Office on 05/23/2024. After they are in place, a determination will be made to see if the Town Office needs to be rewired.
- Direct Deposit - Lynne is waiting to hear back from the bank.
- Document Storage – looking into using the Assessor's office and meeting room closets to store the documents on a temporary basis (securing with new locks) until a permanent solution can be found.
- CEO gave an update on the rat infestation situation on Village Street.

6:02 pm - The Select Board entered Executive Session pursuant to 36 M.R.S. §405(6) (A,) to discuss a personnel matter.

6:18 pm - The Select Board exited Executive Session. No decisions were made.

Approved Town Expense Warrant in the amount of \$34,353.74.

The Select Board meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Pamela Grotton
Claudia Orff-Reed
Robert Clark Jr