

REGULAR SELECTBOARD MEETING – THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2021 AT 5:30PM

Present: Steve Barrup, Jerry Waterman, Richard Gosselin, Mike Baraw, Denise Daigle, Kevin Chickering, Lee Curtis, Bob Best, Ernest Choquette, Steve Edgerley, Adam Hilliker, CJ Thompson, Mike Mainer at A & E, Barry Sahagian, Rudy Percy

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Steve called the meeting to order at 5:30PM and introduced those present. Jerry read the ground rules for conducting the meeting.

Jerry made a motion to approve the minutes of 6/3 meeting, seconded by Rick and passed on a voice vote.

Appearances by local citizens/visitors – Barry asked Denise if she received the amendment to his small claims court claim against the town. Denise stated she did receive it. Barry discussed various issues.

Kevin Chickering of VASA was here to ask for the boards support to open 2/10 of a mile on Route 105 from the Verge property to city Farm Road to VASA. Some discussion followed. Steve questioned the liability to the town if they would choose to support this. This issue is tabled until VASA comes back with answers to questions the board had for the Agency of Transportation. The VASA club also asked to have a portion of Niles Road, Searles Road, and Cross Road opened up as a VASA trail. The board stated that the club needs to present to the board signatures of all residents on that section of road supporting this.

Water/Sewer/Solar Panel Report – Mike Mainer recommendation regarding HAS#1 well is for the town to drill a new well. The state will have money available toward the end of the month and A & E will bring a proposal to the town at the August board meeting. Mike stated we received our water operating permit. Mike stated that repair work on some water lines on Lawson Road and Route 105 have been completed. Mike stated he spoke with Lyle Curtis and he is not going to pursue water and sewer connections on his property on the Cross Road. Mike stated he received the annual sewer inspection report. He will pump out the fields needed. There were minor issues that need to be addressed, which he will take care of.

Road Commissioner Report - Mike stated that the town received state aid money for paving of \$200,000.00. Mike stated that the Farrar Road grant is approved for the designing part of this project. Mike has talked to a tree cutter about fixing/cutting some trees on the Lake Road. Rick Gosselin had a question regarding the post office parking lot, which is in bad shape. Rick was asked to bring this up as this was at one point dug up by the town to repair sewer lines. Mike will look into this and talk to the owner of the property to see what, if anything, can be done.

The board signed the Newport Ambulance contract for 2021, which is the amount voters approved at the 2021 town meeting.

Zoning/Lister position – this is tabled until the August meeting.

Steve made a motion to accept the ARPA funds for the town and appoint Denise Daigle to be the representative, seconded by Jerry and passed on a voice vote.

The board signed orders, reviewed and approved journal entries and bank statement, signed Ghelli cemetery deed.

Voted to adjourn at 7:05PM.