

UNAPPROVED
SELECT BOARD MINUTES
JULY 9, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Wilson, Deborah Baker, Charles Rockwell and Linda Montague.

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Lenhardt, Donald S. Lewis, Brett Lourie, Arlene Bentley, Michael McKeighan, Susan Nichols, William Meyer, Raymond Smith, John LaVecchia, and Kelli Raymond.

Meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

Motion by Charlie, seconded by Debbie to approve the minutes for June with minor corrections as noted.
Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

1.	Cash on Hand	June 1, 2019	\$444,561.13
	Receivables		10,714.80
	Disbursements		60,739.62
	Cash on Hand	June 30, 2019	\$394,536.31

2. Of the \$58,414.00 in the Re-appraisal Account, \$52,565.60 has been spent leaving a balance of \$5,848.40.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Received back the signed authorization document from Mr. and Mrs. Aldanondo to have their dead maple tree near Route 153 taken down at the Town's expense.
2. Linda had a complaint from a Sandgate Road resident about her dog being hit by a speeder. The dog required veterinary care. Tom replied that speed limit signs do little good at controlling speeders. Also, Rupert's Animal Control Ordinance, specifies that dog owners should not allow their animals to run at large in the road or elsewhere.
3. With regard to Sandgate Road, it was the consensus of the Board to send a letter to Russell and Julie Currie about their pine trees causing a safety issue. The entire line of trees is within the right-of-way and should be removed to improve visibility at the junction of Sandgate and Kent Hollow Roads.
4. From Better Back Roads, paperwork for the culvert inventory grant.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Highway report: the crew has been applying slate to Herrick Brook Road and Pawlet Mountain Road will be chip sealed tomorrow.
2. With the Town wide re-appraisal completed, there are only two tax appeals which the Board of Civil Authority will hear tomorrow night.
3. Planning is ongoing for the Town Green, with Ray Smith to do drawings of where the parking lot will be. Charlie and Ray will visit the site, along with John LaVecchia and Ryan Davenport to determine where the proposed boundaries are to be for the two acres which the Town is selling to Rupert Village Trust and fix the location of the future septic system for Sheldon's Store.
4. Tom said that the Town Office Renovation Committee has not held its first meeting yet.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Town Health Officer Kelli Raymond passed out copies to the Select Board of the recent amendments to Vermont's Rental Housing Health Code, which she is obligated to enforce. Kelli said that nowhere in the document does it state what type of violations she should be looking for, but she knows that rental housing has to have working smoke detectors and two exits.
2. The tax rate will be set at the next meeting.

Orders were signed by the Board.

Motion by Linda, seconded by Debbie to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Montague
Select Board Clerk and Co-Chair

