

APPROVED
SELECT BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Montague, Philip E. Mazzucco, Charles Rockwell and Thomas Wilson.

OTHERS PRESENT: Andrea Lenhardt, Debra Fuller, Jane Davies, John LaVecchia, Brett Lourie and Donald Lewis.

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

Motion by Charlie, seconded by Phil to approve the August minutes with one minor correction. Motion carried.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT:

1. The Board of Civil Authority will meet tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. to purge the checklist.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cash on hand	08/01/21	\$498,018.29
Receivables		616,280.10
Disbursements		92,199.99
Cash on hand	08/31/21	\$1,022,098.40

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Holly Hayden email regarding State funding for remediating and redeveloping brownfields sites.
2. Allison Stroll from Bennington County Regional Commission with information concerning REMC.
3. Kelli Miller at the former Louise Jones house wondering whether she can get internet there.
4. Michael Batchter from Bennington County Regional Commission will meet with Debbie, Tom and Linda at 5:00 p.m. on 09/21/21.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Highway: trouble buying new tires and winter salt. Derby Hill Road project is finished. Back roads are being graded and we need to buy sand.
2. Jane Davies has been communicating with George Hatch about the storage of building materials, once the old barn is disassembled. Charlie said that the Town should have a written agreement about the terms, if the lumber is placed on the Town Green. John LaVecchia will investigate where the placement of the reconstructed pavilion will be. Motion by Charlie, seconded by Phil to move the building onto the Town Green. Motion carried.
3. Debbie has invited a sales representative to display choices for speed control signs.
4. More sidewalk work is scheduled for next week.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Don Lewis said that the brick walkway at the library has settled and the hallway at the Historical Society needs a new light bulb. Tom will replace it.

2. An application is due by October 8th for a grant in connection with the Municipal Road General Permit. The permit fee has to be paid as well by a certain date.

3. Raises were granted to Tom Wilson and Laverne "Dude" Truehart. Motion by Charlie, seconded by Linda to be \$28.00 for Tom and \$25.00 for Dude, beginning at the next pay week. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. John LaVecchia inquired if a well could be sited on the Town Green. It would mainly serve Sheldon's Store, but could be used also by the Town. It was the consensus of the Board to move forward with researching the well site project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board went into executive session at 7:37 p.m. and came out at 8:00 p.m. Motion by Phil, seconded by Linda to hire Jeremy Hill for a highway crew employee, starting at \$24.00 per hour. Motion carried.

Orders were signed by the Board.

Motion by Linda, seconded by Phil to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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