

Town of Burnham

Select Board Minutes
Monday, September 21, 2020
7:00 p.m.

Meeting called to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Stuart Huff, Wayne Mitchell, Kristy Hapworth, and 6 others.

Approval of Select Board Meeting Minutes

August 24, 2020 – needs corrections

August 31, 2020 – needs corrections

September 14, 2020 – not yet complete

Action: Board will review revised minutes at a later meeting.

Approval of Warrant #22

Discussion regarding payment request from Bolster's Rubbish Removal. Amount appears to include hauling charge for packer trucks, which has not been authorized under the Town's agreement with BRR. Telephone call to Matt Bolster to confirm – Bolster's will investigate and correct their payment request. Warrant #22 to be amended to remove payment to BRR.

Motion made (KH) and seconded (WM) to pay Warrant #22 as amended.

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no.

Old Business

Noise Ordinance

Lisa and Shawn Poulin addressed the Board again regarding ongoing problems with a neighbor and a proposed noise ordinance to address the problem. Decibel readings were collected and presented to the Board for review. Police were called due to the collection of the decibel readings but it was determined Mr. Poulin was lawfully present where the readings were being collected. Another call was made to Waldo County Sheriff's office (Officer McDougal responding) regarding the noise – residents were advised to call back if the noise continued after 10:00 p.m.

Litigation

Update: Phone call from Attorney Geller informing the Board there will be a court conference on 9/21/2020 regarding ongoing junkyard litigation.

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Update: there is now a dead horse on the subject property, which is expected to be buried on the property. CEO ordered resident to fix the fence to the pasture and license any unlicensed dogs on the property.

Tax Acquired Property

Update: SH will walk the Riverview Drive lot to investigate possible illegal junkyard on the property. Legal (K. Collins) was contacted regarding the property and Town was advised to investigate junkyard status to determine whether DEP must be involved before moving forward with sale of the TAP.

Sand and Salt Shed

Update: Salt has been ordered and will be delivered in two separate loads in the upcoming week.

Beach Gate

Update: gate has been repaired.

Proposed Closure of Parson Lane

Alison Chadwick addressed the Board regarding grass overgrowth on the road and requested the Board maintain the road if it is not going to be closed. C. King was asked to review the road ordinance and provide the board with an estimate for repairing the road and maintaining it for future use as a town road. C. King will also contact other adjoining land owners regarding proposed closure of the road and report back to the Board.

New Business:

Comprehensive Plan

The Town's comprehensive plan is outdated (most recently updated approximately 20 years ago), which could disqualify the town from eligibility for certain grants or other assistance from state and federal government. KVCOG may be able to provide assistance or guidance for updating the Town's comprehensive plan.

Staff Resignations

Motion made (KH) and seconded (WM) to accept resignations of:

- (1) Animal Control Officer – effective as of October 1, 2020;
- (2) Transfer Station Attendant – effective upon two-week notice;
- (3) Freeman Patterson (maintenance personnel) – effective immediately

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no.

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Call of Special Town Meeting

MMA was contacted regarding Board commitment of taxes based on use of \$200,000 from surplus to reduce tax commitments. A special town meeting is needed to authorize the use of surplus funds to reduce tax commitments. Motion made and seconded to call a special Town Meeting for 10/6/2020 @ 7:00 p.m., C. King to serve as moderator. Vote: 3 yes, 0 no.

Complaints

Letter from resident regarding transfer station reviewed. No action taken.

Report of trash piling up on property on the Lasselle Road. CEO to inspect.

Correspondence

Secretary of State: offered automated ballot tabulation machine for use at November election for no cost. Office staff will follow up.

Assessor: will be in the office on 10/1/2020 to meet with citizens upon appointment.

LRAP report needs to be completed by 11/1/2020 to secure funding. Town's reimbursement is projected to be approximately \$34,000. Office staff will work on completing the report.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 p.m.