

# Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes

May 11, 2020

In Attendance: Tom Howrigan, Gene Archambault, Charlie Thomas and David Persons  
Road Foreman: Moe Jettie    Visitors:

Town Administrator: Jonathan DeLaBruere  
Town Clerk: Linda Hodet

Secretary: Melissa Manson

1. Meeting opened at 7pm. Gene, Charlie, Moe, Linda and Melissa in person. Tom, David and Jonathan remotely.
2. Moe said they are going to begin treating roads with chloride tomorrow. Recent delivery was 0.87/gallon. They will begin on Church Road. The backhoe needs back tires. No price yet. Ridge Road washout has been repaired. Shoulder work is happening. Positive comments on the progress.
3. Gene made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Charlie seconded. All in favor. Same for exit. One personnel item was discussion only. No decisions made. Gene made a motion to increase the salary of the Town Clerk to \$40K from \$37K beginning May 11, 2020. Charlie seconded. All in favor.
4. Linda reports that there is discussion about all November voting be via absentee ballot because of Covid-19. Plenty of time for that to change.
5. Linda reports that there is less than \$38K in delinquent taxes from the 2019. We have collected \$12,142 in penalties.
6. Jonathan reports that the school has started their construction project and hope to be done by the beginning of school. The sidewalk project is due to begin on May 26<sup>th</sup> with a projected completion date at the end of July.
7. Jonathan reports that there have been some construction improvements in the Town Office. Window between his office and Zoning has become wall and the paper towel holders in the bathrooms have been replaced.
8. Overweight permits signed by Gene.
9. Melissa reported on the fuel bid. Before doing it, SB should be aware that the volume we are bidding on is drastically reduced from the last time. Previous bid was 27,376 gallons of heating oil and 48,460gallons of diesel. Now it's 1,728gal of heating oil and 19,324gal of diesel. Blouins said if we want to change our price structure from rack + .12, we would have to enter a pre-buy or budget plan. Tom will check with Browns to see if they have a better offer.
10. Issue with Rugg Rd speed according to some residents. Requesting to reduce the speed to 40mph. Tom made a motion to reduce to 40. Charlie seconded. We will change the traffic ordinance through the prescribed process.
11. Warrants will be available for signing tomorrow. Please stop by.
12. Charlie made a motion to adjourn. Gene seconded. All in favor

**These minutes exist in draft form until approved by the Select Board.**