

Town of Fairfield Select Board Minutes

March 23, 2020

In Attendance: Gavin Ryan, Gene Archambault and David Persons

Road Foreman: Moe Jettie

Visitors: Sean O'Dell, Peter Burns,
Ryan Wells

Town Administrator: Jonathan DeLaBruere

Secretary: Melissa Manson

Town Clerk: Absent

1. Meeting opened at 7pm
2. Bid opening for sidewalk project:
Desroches Construction Services Inc. \$456,179.50 G.W. Tatro \$469,910
The design engineer will conduct the post bid review and analysis and once complete, the bidders will be notified.
3. Sean O'Dell and Ryan Wells came to discuss the placing of septic tanks. They found a water line on the soccer field side of Park St so they can't place the tanks in the approved position. There are two other options and both include a maintenance easement on town property. Reviewed the options and suggested that they prefer option one. Town approves. Form signed.
4. Moe reports no issues with road crew. Plenty of sand. Trucks all good. Working on grading roads.
5. Jim Smith sent a thank you note.
6. Received Ohliger's response re the town trail. MM to send response disputing his claim that the section of trail is impassable due to erosion and bush growth.
7. Linda sent word that the office is closed to casual visitors and appointments could be made to access the office. She has plenty to keep her busy.
8. Jonathan asked if we are considered essential once the stay-at-home order is made. Decision made to move to a monthly meeting. SB will need to come in to sign warrants. Next meeting will be April 27th.
9. Gavin made a motion to suspend the rent for 3 months for Chesters and Quimby Hill. Gene seconded. All in favor.
10. Jonathan asked if we wanted to consider adding a secure drop box to the building. Not right now. What about a video conference phone. No. We can use Skype or Zoom if it comes to that. One person needs to be present.
11. Jonathan received box culvert estimates for South Road from SD Ireland. He's trying to get FEMA to fund Juair Road. There is a 2pm call tomorrow to discuss storm damage.
12. Jonathan reviewed new municipal interest rates and discussed refinancing at a lower rate.
13. Jonathan reviewed necessary adjustments to the town's personnel policy to reflect the Town Manager position. Reviewed potential changes.
14. Need to think about the Common School and what we want to do with it. Lots of grants are available to make it ADA compliant.
15. Gavin made a motion to approve the minutes and warrants. Gene seconded. All in favor.
16. Gavin made a motion to adjourn. David seconded. All in favor

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