

Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting
Thursday, August 20, 2020

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Frank Reeder, Clayton Stalker, Russ Austin

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00AM by Chairman Frank Reeder.
2. Approval of Minutes: August 6, 2020 Motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Russ Austin to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0.
3. Guests:

Mike Petrovick, Architect: Mike distributed and reviewed the proposed schematic design for the fire station with the Selectmen. He will have a presentation board and brochures done for the public and will be available to present the project at public sessions. Owner's Rep, Steve Horton is working on the costs of the project. There may be tweaks to the floor plan, but the basic plan is set. The septic design is being worked on. Selectmen Stalker asked Fire Chief Harry Nelson what he thought of the design. Chief Nelson stated that while he isn't a fan of stacking the trucks, the plan will work and he likes the design.

Randall Walter stated that the project is site specific, so options were limited. Test pits have been done to have the soil tested. SVE is going to work on permits from DES & DOT.

Chief Nelson asked if the Selectmen are behind the new fire station. All three stated that they are and have been 100% behind the project. They feel that it is a "common sense" footprint and a good usage of restraint for tax dollars.

Randall Walter added that they will also be looking at the cost of maintaining the building when it is done.

Selectman Austin stated that he has appreciated the fact that the Selectmen have been informed along the way of what has been going on with the project.

Mike Petrovick thanked the Selectmen for their time and left the meeting.
4. Accounts Payable: A motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Russ Austin to approve a manifest of \$3,622.84 for the highway department and \$61,317.63 for all other bills for a total of \$64,940.47. Motion passed 3-0.
5. Old Business:
 - A. The Selectmen accepted the resignation of Randall Walter from the Fire Station Facility Advisory Committee.
 - B. Adams Road will be brought before the town at the annual meeting for complete discontinuance.
6. New Business:

Signature Approval was given for the following:

 - Payroll: August 8, 2020
 - GJ Entry: #720 Tax Collector Deeds
 - #721 Enter wire transfer of NHBB loan
 - #722 Return of Bensonwood retainer (from 4/7/20)
 - EFTPS - Payroll taxes: August 13, 2020
 - Amazon: Election dinner items/rubber stamp for town clerk

- A. A motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Frank Reeder, per RSA 31:19, to accept donations for the Westmoreland Veteran's Memorial Fund in the amount of \$2,475.00. Motion passed 3-0. 21 bricks for the walkway have been sold to date.
- B. Due to Covid19 State of NH quarantining requirements, a policy will be written for employees traveling out of New England.
- C. The Selectmen discussed the possibility of the use of the Town Hall by the school if they had a situation where they couldn't social distance a class on a given day. It would not be a permanent situation. The Selectmen do not have an issue with it, but they would require the tables & chairs be washed down by the school after use.

7. Correspondence: *All correspondence is available for review in the Selectmen's office.* None

8. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Frank Reeder, Chairman

Clayton R. Stalker

Russ Austin

NEXT MEETING –Thursday, September 3, 2020, 10:00AM

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SIGNATURES BY SELECTMEN DENOTE APPROVAL OF
MINUTES