

Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting  
Thursday, July 1, 2021

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

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00AM by Chairman Clayton Stalker.
2. Approval of Minutes: June 24, 2021. Motion was made by Frank Reeder, second by Russ Austin to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0.
3. Guests: None
4. Accounts Payable: A motion was made by Russ Austin, second by Frank Reeder to approve a manifest of \$322,548.84. Motion passed 3-0.
5. Old Business:
  - A. Wetlands Permit for River Road North Bridge: DES will look further into the work that needs and can be done to clean out under the bridge.
  - B. Highway: A Request for Proposals (RFP) for winter plowing of Route #3 is being worked on.
  - C. The Planning Board (horse-back riding lessons) - The Town Attorney agrees that riding lessons fall under Agriculture based on the town ordinances and do not require a permit. He also stated that it would be considered a Home-Based Occupation under our ordinance definitions and would not be considered non-residential due to the residence being the primary use of the property. He compared riding lessons to giving piano lessons in your home or people who sell maple syrup or hay from their property, which would not require a permit because those are secondary to the residence as long as they meet the ordinance requirements for Home-Based Occupation, Sec.403.1. The decision of the Selectmen will stand that giving riding lessons does not require a permit. The Town Attorney stated that the Planning Board could appeal the decision of the Selectmen to the Zoning Board.
  - D. Emergency Operation Plan: Tom Finnegan, Emergency Management Director, will be asked for an update as the Plan needs to be updated this year.
  - E. Huckins letter: Chip & Lisa Huckins have asked for an update on the removal of dead tree limbs on Partridge Brook Road. Eversource contracts with Asplundh Tree Service and they have been in town cutting limbs for weeks. There is a plan in place to work on Partridge Brook Road.
6. New Business:

Signature Approval was given for the following:  
Payroll: 6/26/2021, 6/30/2021  
PayrollTaxes: 6/30/2021  
General Journal Entry: #765 Transfer from General Fund to Broadband Fund  
Health Insurance: 6/30/3021  
NH Retirement: 6/30/2021  
GJE #767: Timber Tax Warrant 6/29/2021
7. Correspondence: *All correspondence is available for review in the Selectmen's office.* None

8. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre  
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Clayton Stalker, Chairman

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Russ Austin

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Frank Reeder

NEXT MEETING –Thursday, July 22, 2021, 10:00AM

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SIGNATURES BY SELECTMEN DENOTE APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES