

Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting  
Thursday, May 21, 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: May 7, 2020 Motion was made by Russ Austin, second by Clayton Stalker to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0.
3. Accounts Payable: A motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Russ Austin to approve a manifest of \$7,656.09 for the highway department and \$11,240.36 for all other bills for a total of \$18,896.45. Motion passed 3-0.
4. Guests: None
5. Old Business:
  - A. Rebar in town Right-of-Way on Partridge Brook Road: Mr. Cate has not moved the rebar back as requested as of this meeting. The town attorney will be contacted as to the next step to take in what is considered to be a safety issue.
  - B. Proposed Fire Station contracts: Owner's Rep, Steve Horton, is working with the Petrovick Architects on a contract. The Selectmen approved the Agreement with SVE to serve as civil engineer. The first priority is the determination of site access by the NH DOT.
  - C. A motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Frank Reeder, to appoint Richard Meyer as a Deputy Emergency Management Director. Motion passed 3-0.
  - D. Two grants from the State of NH are being submitted for relief due to Covid-19:
    - a. First Responders stipend
    - b. Reimbursement for expenses incurred due to the pandemic
6. New Business:

Signature Approval was given for the following:  
Payroll: May 19, 2020  
Amazon: Office Clock 5/15/2020  
General Journal Entries: #710  
EFTPS - Payroll taxes: 5/21/2020  
Timber Tax Warrant: R7-1, R8-3, R8-38  
Intent to Cut Timber: R8-3, R8-38, R8-5, R8-7  
Property Tax Warrant (1<sup>st</sup> bill)  
MS-535 2019 Financial Report  
Intent to Excavate: R19-6

  - A. A letter was received from Chip and Lisa Huckins of Partridge Brook Road with their concerns about a dog owned by Susan Smith. They claim that the dog lunges at cars, walkers and runners on the road when Ms. Smith is walking her dog, further adding that they don't believe that Ms. Smith maintains control of the dog. Following the review of RSA 466:31, the Selectmen determined that as Ms. Smith always walks her dog on a leash and the dog is not 'at-large', there has been no infraction of the law.

- B. A chainsaw was stolen from a town truck parked at the Highway Department property on McAdam Road during the storm that took place on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- C. On May 17<sup>th</sup>, a truck, trying to make the turn on the Town Common road to reverse direction, pulled down three granite posts on the common. The owner of the truck is not known. The posts will be replaced.
- D. Covid-19 in relation to the opening of the Town Hall: The Selectmen will wait until the Governor makes his decision regarding the end or extension of the stay-at-home order after May 31<sup>st</sup>. When the town hall is opened, there will be regulations posted for the public and committees.

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

8. The meeting was adjourned at 11:00AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre  
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Frank Reeder, Chairman

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Clayton R. Stalker

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Russ Austin

NEXT MEETING –Thursday, June 4, 2020, 10:00AM

MINUTES ARE INITIALLY POSTED AS UNAPPROVED -  
SIGNATURES BY SELECTMEN DENOTE APPROVAL OF  
MINUTES