

**Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting
February 8, 2019**

Present: Helyn Strom-Henriksen, David Marchegiani, Joseph Berard, Amber Holland, Larry Hopkins, Ray Eilers Normajeane Marchegiani, Norman Wilber, David Dix

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm

Agenda Additions/Deletions

Helyn moved to move the executive session to the beginning of the agenda. Joseph seconded. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Helyn made a motion to accept the minutes of 1/30/19 as written, Joseph seconded. So voted.

Executive Session: Evaluation of Employee, 1 § V.S.A. 313(4)

Fiscal Matters

A) Review of Budget Status Report

None

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) Updates

The Selectboard provided Amber with a few minor corrections to the 2018 Town Report. The changes will be made and the report will go to the printers on Monday.

David noted that the new Fire Department Siren is on the pole at the fire house.

Old Business:

A) Road Hearing Decision – Update – Discussion & Action

Helyn opened discussion on making a final decision on BonneView Lane, Chiste Drive and Wheeler Drive reclassifications. She noted that Karen Boisvert had received further information that a survey could be done after a decision was made. Larry Hopkins asked how the Board could make a decision at this point as they had exceeded their 60 day statutory time frame. After continued discussion regarding the time frame, Helyn made a motion to table the issue until after the FY20 budget had passed to insure the monies for the additional surveys are appropriated,. Joseph seconded. So voted.

New Business

A) Contract for Fireworks – Discussion & Action

Helyn made a motion to sign the 2019 fireworks contract with Atlas Fireworks for their deposit of \$3500. Joseph seconded. So voted

B) Request from DN Mack to lower ECU's from 1.3 to 1 – Discussion & Action

Helyn opened the discussion by asking who DN Mack was. Normajeane Marchegiani stated it was her, David clarified that it was the former Mack Bros. Propane. David Marchegiani stated he would be speaking as a private citizen during this discussion not a Board member. Helyn asked Normajeane where the Change Request Form was. Normajeane stated she was unable to find the original request form 2013. Helyn stated there is an inspection process that needs to be completed so the 2013 form is not applicable. Normajeane stated that the ECU is based having gas pumps and 4 employees. Helyn informed Normajeane to have Norm and Mitchell go inspect the property and put the topic back on a future agenda.

Hearing of Visitors:

Raymond asked why the equipment expenditures line is so far over budget already. Helyn stated the Board had an email from Norm that stated the damage to truck #3 was done by the previous operator and not found until later.

Raymond also asked about the question on the warrant regarding the new municipal buildings. Is the Board just looking to secure funding or is it to start building. The board stated they would just like to start securing funding for the project.

Fiscal Matters:

A) Signing of Selectboard orders/bills

B) Work Session

- a. Explanation of Fund Balance Sheet
Board reviewed the sheet provided and instructed Karen to make copies for Town Meeting
- b. Water/Sewer Possible Rate Increase
The Board was informed by the Utility Clerk that in January 2014 the water rates were raised \$4.50 and the Sewer rated decrease \$1.50.
The Board will hold more discussions in the future.

Helyn moved to adjourn at 4:16 p.m. Joseph seconded. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted
Amber Holland
Acting Selectboard Clerk
February 12, 2019