

Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
The Readsboro Town Office
January 22, 2020

Selectboard Present: Raymond Eilers, David Marchegiani, Joseph Berard
Others present: Karen Boisvert, Amber Holland, Mitchel Holland, Jeremy Green, Craig Barkus, Debra Dion

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Agenda Additions/ Deletions Approval of Agenda:

Additional road to be added to the Snowmobile list

Raymond made a motion to accept the agenda as corrected, David second. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Minutes of Previous Special Meeting of 1/14/2020

Raymond made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous Special Meeting of 1/14/2020 as written, Joseph second. So voted.

Minutes from the previous Special Town Meeting of 1/20/2020

Tabled

Fiscal Matters:

Review of Budget Status Report:

Amber received a letter from the State regarding the dissolution of the SVUUSD. She was instructed to discuss it with the Towns Attorney as well as the Agency of Education to make sure the wording was correct for the Australian Ballot Warrant.

Selectboard Administrative Report:

Administrative Assistants report was read

A) Updates:

The Selectboard as well as DPW Superintendent, Jeremy Green went to look at the town garage in Shaftsbury. They all agree it is roughly the size Readsboro would need and was impressed with the layout. Approximate cost to build was \$700,000. They also looked at the State garage in Heartwellville for comparison.

Old Business:

New Business & Communications:

A) Warrant for 2020 Town Meeting- Action:

Raymond made a motion to accept the Warrant for 2020 Town Meeting as presented, David second. So voted. Warrant for the 2020 Town Meeting was signed by all 3 Selectboard members.

B) Offer to purchase Alpenwald lot ALPS010.028 on Lebensdorf Lane- Discussion & Action:

After a brief discussion the offer was declined. Raymond made a motion to set a minimum bid of \$400, David second. So voted.

C) Declaration of involvement with WRC feasibility Study- Discussion & Action:

Raymond gave a brief explanation and update on the WRC feasibility Study. David made a motion to officially declare involvement in the WRC Feasibility Study, Raymond second. So voted.

D) GMP request to move power lines at the ballfield/gravel pit -Discussion & Action:

The line that runs across the river from the ballfield to Tunnel Street is being eliminated as well as some of the poles and lights at the ballfield.

E) Utility Clerk Interview Scheduling- Discussion & Action:

Amber will contact the 3 applicants to schedule interviews on 1/29/2020 at 5, 5:30 and 6pm.

F) Adding of Roads to the Snowmobile Ordinance- Discussion & Action

1. Daubney Road:

Raymond made a motion to allow snowmobile travel on Daubney Road, Joseph second. So voted.

2. Case Lane:

Raymond made a motion to allow snowmobile travel on Case Lane, David second. So voted.

3. Howe Pond Road, from Daubney to Goldmine:

Raymond made a motion to allow snowmobile travel on Howe Pond Road, from Daubney to Goldmine, Joseph second. So voted.

4. Ross Road, from Goldmine to trailhead on Ross Road:

Raymond made a motion to allow snowmobile travel on Ross Road, from Goldmine to trailhead on Ross Road, Joseph second. So voted.

5. Goldmine to Ross Road:

Raymond made a motion to allow snowmobile travel on Goldmine to Ross Road, Joseph second. So voted.

There was a brief discussion on Access Permits. Raymond feels that they are not necessary as they all melt in the spring, Jeremy agrees. Jeremy asked what other towns did about permits and was told they did nothing. Joseph has expressed concern over the possibility of the Act 250 making it harder in the future for these types of clubs. Raymond wanted the club to be careful to not plug the catch basin on Route 100 by driving over it. Mitchell informed the board that all the bigger signage in the village would be removed in the spring.

G) DPW Report:

DPW report was given.

Raymond made a motion to replace the furnace for the Village Garage for the quoted \$4,500, Joseph second. So voted.

Total bill for the replacement of the engine in truck #3 came in at \$ 31,554.04

1. Listers/DPW Office assess- Discussion;

Karen will get hours that the Cemetery Commission and the Planning Commission meet as well as have Larry set posted hours.

2. EBarn roof repair- Discussion & Action:

Jeremy will get estimates from Doxsee roofing as well as from other local contractors.

Hearing of Visitors:

None

Executive Session if needed:

None

Fiscal Matters:

A) Signing of Selectboard orders/bills-

AP and Payroll were reviewed and signed.

B) Sewer Budget:

Raymond made a motion to use the budget as submitted by the Chief Operator, Joseph second. David is opposed. So voted.

Adjournment:

Raymond made a motion to adjourn at 8:10, David second. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Boisvert, Administrative Assistant
January 23, 2020