

Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
The Readsboro Town Office
February 13, 2019

Selectboard Present: Helyn Strom- Henriksen, David Marchegiani, Joseph Berard
Others present: Karen Boisvert, Normajean Marchegiani, Mark Braman, Forrest Hicks, Carl Marchegiani, Kim Thayer, Nicole Thayer

Call to Order:

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

Agenda Additions/ Deletions Approval of Agenda:

Correction on Minutes of Special Meeting of 2/8/19 not Regular meeting of 2/6/19. Discussion without action on Jacksonville Easy Riders. Helyn made a motion to accept agenda as amended, Joseph seconded. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Minutes of previous Regular Meeting of Special meeting of 2/8/19

Helyn made a motion to accept the minutes of the previous Special meeting of 2/8/19 as amended, Joseph seconded. So voted.

Fiscal Matters:

No Discussion

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) **Updates:** Administrative Assistant report was read

Old Business:

A) Request from DN Mack to lower ECU's from 1.3 to 1- Discussion & Action

Normajean filled out the requested ECU Billing Change Request Form. Normajean was asked if Route 100 Sales still operated out of the building. She answered yes but stated that Mr. Tillie was only there minimally throughout the month. She was also asked if Mr. Tillie paid rent for the use of the building. She answered yes he did. After much discussion Helyn and Joseph determined that the building was being used as an office with one employee and would be billed as such. Helyn made a motion to lower the ECU charge from 1.3 to 1.1, Joseph seconded. So voted.

New Business & Communications:

A) Mark Braman- Scrap- Discussion & Action:

Mark requested from the board that he be allowed to take over the recycling of scrap for the Town of Readsboro. Normajean was asked how often scrap is removed from the transfer station and she told the board when the container is full. Mark stated he would provide a container for collection as well. The board asked Normajean to look into any contracts the Town may have with the current recycling company which is Apkins out of North Adams. The topic is tabled until more information can be acquired.

B) Signing of FEMA 4022-DR-VT project Completion and Certification Report- Discussion & Action:

After a brief summary of the project Helyn made a motion to sign the FEMA 4022- DR-VT Project Completion and Certification Report, David seconded. So voted.

C) Possibility Of Discontinuing Notary status for Town Office- Discussion & Action:

Helyn started the conversation off by stating that this was Informational only. She also stated that the State had passed a new law (ACT 160) this new law would have the Notary accept responsibility for the documents being signed and not just verification of a person's signature. Personal liability insurance would be needed to be purchased because the State of Vermont will no longer insure the Notaries.

D) Review of Howe Pond Survey Map- Discussion & Action:

Joyce Land Surveying has completed the survey of the bottom of Howe Pond Road and submitted a map for review before recording it with the Town on Mylar.

Helyn made a motion to accept the survey map prepared by Joyce Land Surveying as prepared, Joseph seconded. So voted.

Hearing of Visitors:

-Kim and Nicole Thayer came to complain about the excessive damage to their mailbox this winter. They claim that it has been struck no less than 5 different times so far this year alone while in the past 37 years it has only been hit once. They would like for the Town to buy them a new one. Karen will talk to Norm to find out why this is a reoccurring problem.

-Kim also asked the board if they had any intentions of harvesting their timber. He stated he himself was not interested in cutting it but the Town should think about doing some harvesting to offset some expenses. He recommended that the Town reach out to the State Forester to have him/her look at the Timber and possibly do some marking. He was told they would look into it.
- Carl asked the board why we would consider switching scrap vendors if we did not have a problem with the current one. He also urged the board to use caution on the decision.

Executive Session if needed:

None

Fiscal Matters:

A) **Signing of Selectboard orders/bills-** AP and Payroll were examined and signed.

Adjournment:

Helyn made a motion to adjourn at 7:38pm, Joseph seconded. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Boisvert, Administrative Assistant
February 14, 2019