

Town of Readsboro
Board of Selectmen Regular Meeting
The Readsboro Town Office
April 15, 2020

Present at office: Karen Boisvert

Present Via Zoom: Raymond Eilers, David Marchegiani, Joseph Berard, Amber Holland

Call to Order:

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

Agenda Additions/ Deletions Approval of Agenda:

Raymond made a motion to accept the agenda as written, Joseph seconded. So voted.

Reading & Approval of Records:

Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting of 4/1/2020

Raymond made a motion to accept the minutes from 4/1/2020 as written, David second. So voted.

Fiscal Matters:

Review of Budget Status Report:

Nothing of note

Selectboard Administrative Report:

A) Updates:

Karen received a letter from James Dassatti resigning from the Planning Commission, he would like to be appointed as Chair to a new committee concerning the EBarn.

Joseph asked about Green Up Day. The Readsboro group would like to keep it the same this year, Amber stated they had no choice due to the Governors mandate of the event being moved to the last Saturday in May rather than the first.

Raymond has been in contact with the State Police concerning the trailer that has a broken hitch on Shippee Road. He feels it has been moved sufficiently to the side of the road that in the event of an emergency a fire truck can pass by.

Old Business:

A) New Town Garage- Site Visit- Update:

Raymond stated that John Dupras from Trinity Engineering has come and looked at the site. He is preparing an estimate of what will be needed for prepping the site for construction. The board decided to wait until Governor Scott lowers restrictions to meet at the site to discuss best location of garage.

B) Blight Ordinance- 91 School St- Discussion & Action:

After much discussion Raymond made a motion to pursue a legal injunction at 91 School Street and to start a blight ordinance, David second. So voted. Karen will have Bob Fisher come and do a title search for the property.

New Business & Communications:

A) Purchase of York Rake- Discussion & Action:

After much discussion matter is tabled.

B) Assistant Utility Clerk- Discussion & Action:

Amber to perform as interim. Position to be posted after specifics are determined.

C) Junk Officer and Health Officer Position- Discussion & Action:

A letter is to be sent to the former position holder and posted as vacant.

D) Planning Commission Appointment- Discussion & Action:

Raymond made a motion to re-appoint Helyn Strom-Henriksen to the Planning Commission, David second. So voted.

E) Signing of Local Emergency Management Plan Municipal Adoption Plan form- Action:

David made a motion to have the Chairman of the Board sign the LEMP Municipal Adoption Form, Joseph second. So voted.

F) Offer to purchase lot T01X977- Discussion & Action:

After much discussion matter tabled until more financial information can be obtained.

G) Unnecessary Spending Freeze- Discussion & Action:

Considering the possible tax ramifications due to COVID-19 a letter to each department is to be sent asking them to freeze spending beyond day to day operations (Utilities) until further notice.

Hearing of Visitors:

None

Executive Session if needed:

None

Fiscal Matters:

A) Signing of Selectboard orders/bills-

AP and Payroll to be reviewed and signed at a separate time.

Adjournment:

Raymond made a motion to adjourn at 7:45pm, Joseph second. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Boisvert, Administrative Assistant

April 20, 2020