

Bridport Selectboard Meeting
Tuesday, October 12, 2021
Masonic/Community Hall 6:00pm



Selectboard Present: Tim Howlett (Chair), David Bronson, Steve Huestis, Bob Sunderland, Joan Huestis
Also Present: Julie Howlett (Town Clerk), Katie King (Town Treasurer), Dusty Huestis (Road Foreman), David Dodge, Craig Zondog, Diana Bain (LFICD)

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chair, Tim Howlett at 6:00pm.

Public Comment: Craig Zondog gave a report on mosquitos this summer and addressed Tom Vanacore's letter. Mosquitos were prevalent this summer from wet conditions. The mosquitos collected were from woodland puddles and upland habitats and not from Lemon Fair.

Secretary's Report: David made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 13, 2021 Selectboard meeting. Steve seconded, Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Bob made the motion to pay bills in the amount of \$285,099.76. Steve seconded, Motion passed.

DPW Operation & Finance:

Paving and shoulders are finished. Sand shed is full. The State has not released the price of salt for this year. LR Provencher Excavating will be here this week to finish the MRGP on West Market Road.

Culvert and Bridge Report:

Lake Street Culvert: Belden's has started the project.

Rattlin Bridge Road: FEMA wants more hydraulic studies complete by the Town.

Basin Harbor Road Culvert: GPI final walkthrough scheduled for 11 am October 13, 2021.

Middle Road Bridge: Updated cost of project from \$209,000 to \$261,000.

Middle Road Culverts: A public meeting was held on October 7, 2021, minutes are available.

New Business:

Masonic/ Community Hall Cleaned: Julie will call Jason Barnes to inquire if he is available to clean the hall.

Unpaid Bills Due to Town: Discussed unpaid culvert bills to town. No action taken.

Budget: Bob, David, Tim and Katie will form a committee to begin working on the budget

Old Business:

Town Green: Trash, Trees, Signs, Seeding: A letter will be written to the Thompsons about the trash on the green. Julie will order signs for the park. Trees and seeding were not addressed.

Landfill: There is a roll off at the stump dump for cleanup.

Barrows Park: Work was completed on the skating rink. Need to check with Dusty about the size the plastic needs to be for the rink.

ARPA Money: David made a motion to put the ARPA Money in a separate account at the VT Federal Credit Union with Katie King and Julie Howlett as signers. Joan seconded, motion passed. Julie gave a report on the cost of digitization of land records online.

Dog Registrations: Joan made a motion to issue municipal fines for unregistered dogs. Bob seconded, motion passed.

Quarterly Auditing: Letter is a work in progress.

Policy Work for Substance Abuse: Tabled until next meeting.

Town Office Policy: Tabled until next meeting.

Executive Session: David made a motion to enter in Executive Session. Bob seconded, motion passed. Entered into Executives Session at 8:29pm. Joan made a motion to exit Executive Session. Bob seconded, motion passed. Exited Executive session at 8:54 pm.

Adjourn:

Respectfully Submitted,