

Bridport Selectboard Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2022
Town Office 6:00 pm



Selectboard Present: David Bronson, Tim Howlett (Selectboard Chair) Steve Huestis, Bob Sunderland, Pierre Bordeleau

Also Present: Julie Howlett (Town Clerk), Katie King (Town Treasurer), Dusty Huestis (Road Foreman), Michael Elmore (Sheriff), Chris Campbell (Sheriff), Irene Zaccor (Auditor), Jennifer Sullivan (Auditor), Renee Brodeur

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

Public Comment: Mike Elmore & Chris Campbell from the Addison County Sheriff's department spoke with the Selectboard about the recent break-ins and gave an estimate on a contract to patrol Bridport.

Secretary's Report: Bob made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 9, 2022 Selectboard meeting. Pierre seconded, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: Bob made a motion to approve bills to be paid in the amount of \$788,856.86. Pierre seconded, motion passed

DPW Operations & Finance:

Culvert & Bridge Report:

Rattlin Bridge Road: Pending EHP review. The project has increased to \$1,976,550.00, FEMA will pay 90%. The Town and the State of Vermont will each pay 5%. Steve made a motion to accept the bid from Hutchins for \$1,976,550.00. Pierre seconded, motion passed. David made a motion to ask the National Bank of Middlebury to increase the Grant Anticipation Loan from \$1,100,000.00 to \$1,878,000.00. Bob seconded, motion passed.

Basin Harbor Rd Culvert: Waiting on reimbursement.

Middle Road Bridge: Working on reimbursement.

Middle Road Culvert: Scoping study has been completed and signed. Dusty will reapply in the fall for a Mitigation grant. The cost of the project is \$620,000.00

New Business:

Auditors: The auditors asked the Selectboard what they would like to see in the Town Report. We will stay with the traditional 4-column report. Auditing and budget planning will start in October.

Marcy Degray's Letter: Marcy Degray requested to have a craft fair on the Town green. The Selectboard gave the okay.

Town Office Steps/Ramp: The Town office step and ramp need to be replaced. Tim met with Chris Gordon and is waiting for a quote.

Upstairs of Office Building: The vermiculite insulation has tested positive for asbestos and is coming through the ceiling into the room upstairs. The use of that room has been closed until further notice. David received a quote for \$24,575.00 to remove the asbestos.

Basketball/Tennis Court: David is looking for someone to be able to resurface the court.

Old Business:

Policy Work for Substance Abuse: Approving policy next month.

Masonic/Community Hall Work: It is recommended that the crawl space windows on the north and east sides be filled in with stone, a vapor barrier used on the ground and fire retardant paint put over the spray foam.

Fitzpatrick Stone Wall 4516 Basin Harbor Rd: The Fitzpatrick's have been working on the wall.

ARPA: Should have a public meeting.

Trees at the park: Katie received a quote from Rainbow Acers to mulch the trees in the park and at the DPW garage.

Office Renovations: Discussed current issues of the office. No action taken.

Appointment of Town Officials: David made a motion to appoint Rene Brodeur to the Planning Commission for 3 years. Steve seconded, motion passed.

Other Business: Steve has asked Rick Collins if he is interested in being the Zoning Administrator. Bob was contacted by Liz Mulkin about the fine they received for dumping household materials at the stump dump.

Executive Session: No Executive Session.

Adjourn: Pierre made a motion to adjourn. Steve seconded, motion passed. Adjourned at 9:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,