

Town of BRIDPORT
Select Board Meeting
10 September 2018

Present: Joan Huestis - Chair, David Bronson, Matt Lawton, Tim Howlett & Mike Lawton

Also present: Irene Zaccor - Treasurer & Assistant Town Clerk, Dusty Huestis-DPW Foreman, and JoAnne Kenyon

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Chair Joan Huestis.

Motion made by Tim Howlett and seconded by Matt Lawton to approve minutes of the 8/13/2018 Select Board meeting. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CULVERT COMMITTEE

Brent Rakowski was unable to attend – no presentation was made.

TREASURER REPORT

Irene Zaccor gave the Treasurer's report. Orders for review submitted, high this month due to full payment for bridge construction. Amount currently in bank \$73613. Town has borrowed \$300,000.00 in anticipation loans. Two large bills still not received (Hornbeck for building painting and L&D Safety Marking for road line painting). First reimbursement from State of VT for new culvert was received. David Bronson discussed next years' lawn mowing contract. Motion made by Tim Howlett and seconded by Matt Lawton to accept the Treasurer's report. Motion approved.

ROAD REPORT

Dusty Huestis gave the road report, stating that Crown Point Road /Sunderland bridge project was completed ahead of schedule. Winter sand is almost full up. Town Line Road has been scraped. Roadside mower needs a part. There are many dead trees off of West Market Road. The wooden bridge at ice rink has been removed.

NEW BUSINESS

Using Vermont statutes, David Bronson typed up a reminder for Town residents regarding Prevention of Highway Hazards (to keep snow, grass, trash, etc. off all roads). Matt Lawton made a motion, seconded by Tim Howlett, to put this Prevention of Highway Hazards notice online. Copy attached. Motion approved.

Town insurance coverage was recently reviewed by VLCT/PACIF. General consensus of the Select Board is that the contents of the DPW buildings are under-insured. Joan and Dusty will make a list and take photos of contents (wood chipper, welder, torches, air compressor, generator, etc.) to add to insurance coverage.

OLD BUSINESS

1-Crown Point Road/Sunderland Bridge project is complete. Overall, everyone is satisfied, but bridge has a bump on each end which will need work next summer.

2-Horseshoe Pits are in bad shape (fencing, barrels, plywood, dead trees, etc.). What to do about the area was discussed. No decision made. Town tennis courts need work. Legal notice in land records to show that the Town of Bridport owns tennis courts was discussed.

3- Speed Limit Reduction on some unpaved roads in Town was discussed. Matt Lawton made a motion, seconded by Tim Howlett to put off a decision on reducing the speed limits on these roads until the December Select Board meeting. Motion approved.

Meeting recessed at 7:21 p.m.

Select Board Executive session convened at 7:21 p.m. for consideration of Town Masonic Hall, etc. Properties and Sheldrick property and personnel issues.

Out of Executive Session at 8:19

No action taken on Town Masonic Hall, etc. Properties and Sheldrick property.

Motion made by David Bronson and seconded by Tim Howlett to appoint Steve Bourgeois as Assistant Zoning Administrator until December 10, 2018 on a probationary basis to work with Ed Payne, Zoning Administrator. Pay is to be 25% of what the Zoning Administrator gets for the permits, etc. that they work on together. For permits, etc. that the Zoning Administrator is unable to do, pay is to be what the Zoning Administrator would get. Motion approved, all in favor.

Trees in Central Cemetery that need attention were discussed. Forester for Addison County is to be contacted for advice.

Motion made by Matt Lawton and seconded by Tim Howlett to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Irene Zaccor

Assistant Town Clerk & Treasurer