

Selectmen's Meeting

August 17, 2022

Attendance: Kari Hunt, Penny Sampson, Tim Parker, Blaine Parsons, Pat Haley, Najean Shedyak, Tony Avila, Peggy Turner

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Penny opened the meeting at 6:33pm.

Public Feedback: Tony stated he hasn't forgotten about gathering prior members for the Land Use COmmittee. Would like to pull a meeting together and have it completed by December.

Trees in the Village Cemetery were trimmed.

Minutes:

Penny made a motion to approve the minutes from 07/19/2022. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Penny made a motion to approve the minutes from 08/02/2022 with adding Zachary Babin. Time seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer:

- Warrants were reviewed and signed
- Kari needs to order stamped, addressed envelopes. Should be around \$1,500 and order paper towels. Penny made a motion to order the items needed. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Taxes were mailed on August 9th. Discount deadline is September 7th. Received tax money and tax bills have been posted online.
- Waldo County budget ballot needs to be completed. Penny is running for Budget rep. Tim completed the ballot.

Old Business:

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New Business:

- Fire Pond: The fire pond behind the new fire station and the old fire station. The fence and gate is pushed over. Needs to be fixed. Is there a written agreement with the railroad? Blaine will look into getting some volunteers to fix it, if not will need to hire

out. Funds for the mowing will come out of the Fire Department budget. If need to hire someone to fix the fence, this too will come out of the Fire Department budget.

- Penny met with Jean regarding future funds to the Unity Public Library. Jean wanted the Selectboard to sign an agreement that the town will commit to funds. This will help her get into _____. Penny and Tim support the Unity Public Library and will put an article on the Town Warrant in March 2023 as long as she obtains the required signatures on the petition process.
- Kari asked if Anne Goodblood could have permission to contact MMA Legal. Penny made a motion to give Anne Goodblood permission to contact MMA Legal. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- RSU #3: Najean addressed the email from Liberty representative who wanted to have a vote
- Town owned property: If town owned property is going to be used then the private party must provide insurance and the town must vote on the use of town owned property. Currently at this time no outside organizations will be able to use town owned property. There are other places private parties can use.
- Penny made a motion to move into executive session 1 MSRA 405 6 F for confidential records. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried. Blaine asked to have an open meeting. Penny won't read aloud the warning, generally these are confidential. There is no personnel policy, Select Board just asking that Blaine sign the warning just to receive it. Blaine stated that he spoke with BLS and they told him not to sign it if there is not a policy. Penny made a motion to exit the executive session pursuant to 1 MRSA 405 6 F. time seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Penny reads the Fire Chief job description out loud. There are few changes and will be reviewed at the next meeting.
Penny comments that she doesn't want any policy to take a truck to a parade.

Penny addressed comments that have been made to her from members of the Fire Department. For full version listen to the audio at www.unityme.org.

- Road work on the Town Farm, Mussey and Berry Rd is done. A total of six culverts have been replaced.
Any update on the culvert issue on the Stagecoach Rd? Where does it say in our records that the town is responsible for replacing a culvert on a private drive?

Other Business:

- The Select Board received a call regarding a group of homeless people camping on a piece of property on the Kanokolus Rd. The landowner was contacted as well as the State Police & WCSO

- There has been concern about going from a full time CEO to a part time CEO. We have never had a full time CEO. Anne has established office hours and will do site visits or answer questions when she is not on the schedule as deputy administrative assistant. Anne has been working hard and information has been accurate and detailed.
- Blaine stated that the ladder truck is in full service and next month the trucks are going for their annual service. All trucks have been inspected.

Penny made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm. Tim seconded the motion. Motion carried.