

ROXBURY SELECTBOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 19, 2020
7:00PM – 9:00PM

MEMBERS PARTICIPATING: Vice-Chair Clare St. John and Road Commissioner Dave McShane

STAFF PARTICIPATING: Selectboard Assistant Tammy Legacy

PUBLIC: Elizabeth Carney, Mark Connor, John Parzych, Francis Jones, Dave Santi, Matt Lipschutz and Tom Frazier

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. No Additions or deletions to the agenda.
3. Clare moved to approve the minutes of October 1, 2020 as amended. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.
4. Public
 - a) There was a lot discussion on the topic of a junkyard ordinance. Francis Jones stated that he felt he was being harassed by the Selectboard. Clare explained the Board received complaints from townspeople. Francis stated that he hauls cars, they come and they go. The Board also received complaints about Francis parking on the sidewalk. Several times Francis told the Board that he will keep the sidewalk clear. Francis also became hostile and threatening. Dave Santi read something he was proposing to the Board instead of adopting an ordinance. The conversations were heated at times. Also, of concern was noise issues.
 - b) Elizabeth Carney told the Board a group of people would like to purchase a piece of land and wondered if the Town or the School would be willing to accept it as a gift. Elizabeth said she would come back at a later date to discuss this further.
 - c) It was mentioned again that the majority of the complaints received by the Board were complaints on junk vehicles.
5. Road Commissioner's Report
 - a) Roads are in good shape.
 - b) Equipment is good. The new Ford truck still needs to go to Lucky's for body, etc.
 - c) Hopefully the Warren Mountain Road Slope Project will go out to bid next week.
 - d) The CVRPC Grant and Better Roads Grant are complete. The Class 2 Grant should be done the beginning of next week. Structures Grant has not started yet.
 - e) By consensus, the Board approved the American Rock Salt quote. Dave signed the form.
6. Financial Report
 - a) The Board reviewed and discussed the orders. Clare moved to approve the orders with additions. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.
 - b) Tammy updated the Board on current taxes collected (\$785,308.90)
 - c) Tammy updated the Board on the status of delinquent taxes (amount owed is \$105,322.10).
 - d) The Town received the State and FEMA portion of the April 2019 storm (11093.54). The invoices were paid in the last fiscal year.
7. Unfinished Business
 - a) Steve Twombly sent an offer to the Board stating he was willing to continue working on the Carrie Howe Cemetery issue with Carma and Gus Flowers if Board would like him to. The Board appreciated Steve's offer and by consensus, accepted the offer.
 - b) The Board received three requests to be on the Selectboard to fill the vacancy created by Steve Twombly. They are Tom Frazier, Shane Ryan and Matt Lipschutz. The Board stated they will discuss the three requests in executive session at the end of the meeting.

c) The Board reviewed the revised schedule. Clare moved to accept the revised meeting schedule. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.

8. New Business

- a) Tammy informed the Board that she applied for a grant from Tech Center for Civic Life. The amount awarded to the Town of Roxbury is \$5,000. This has to be used on elections.
- b) Citizens question was discussed in Public.

9. Other Business

- a) Dave Santi stated he did not like the way the meeting went with the junkyard ordinance.

10. Executive Session – Dave moved to go into executive session with an invitation to Tammy to join us to discuss the Selectboard vacancy and a personnel issue. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes. The Board entered executive session at 8:25 p.m.

The Board exited executive session at 8:35 p.m.

Dave moved to appoint Shane Ryan for Selectboard Member from now to Town Meeting. The motion was seconded and passed with all ayes.

By consensus, the Board agreed to pay unused vacation days over forty hours to Loren Bent.

11. The Board briefly discussed adoption of ordinances and the process of conducting Selectboard meetings.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Tammy Legacy, Selectboard Assistant
Approved on November 16, 2020