

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Selectmen Meeting**  
**At 5 PM, August 31, 2021**  
**MEETING TIME—5 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**Attendees: John Rzasa (JR); Gerald Lilly (GL); Allan Moeller (AM); Mike Faass (MF); Dave Probert; Joe Wiley; David Ledew; Jeff Bickford; Sonia Lilly; Shari Lilly; Paen Lilly; Gary Blau**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by JR

**3. APPROVE & SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS—AM**  
made motion, JR 2<sup>nd</sup>; and Approved 3-0

**4. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANTS—AM** made motion, JR 2<sup>nd</sup>;  
and approved 3-0

**5. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS -**

A. The next regular Select Board meeting will be Tuesday  
September 14, 2021 at 5:00 PM at Pownalborough Hall.

**6. OLD BUSINESS**

A. Transfer Station Shed Repairs—provided quote from Jeffrey  
Pierce for \$1,250. Board motion to accept Jeffrey Pierce's  
quote for the repairs since it is being paid for by the Casella's  
Insurance Company. Motioned by AM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by GL, Motion  
passed 3-0.

B. Tax Acquired Properties—Orchard Hill—board requested  
additional details.

C. Adobe Acrobat Detailed Explanation—GL made motion to go with the Middle Range Adobe Package, per MF’s recommendation. JR 2<sup>nd</sup>, Passed 3-0

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **A. Dave Ledew-Assessor**

- i. Update on Mill Rate--Dave anticipates having all evaluations completed and updated by 9/8/2021. Tax commitment and invoices to go out immediately
- ii. Report on Evaluations—Dave provided a detailed report from the State regarding the Town’s evaluations and the impact of our existing property evaluations. Dave suggested that the Town needs to seriously consider planning for a re-evaluation for all town’s properties.

B. Appointment of Local Health Officer—Sonia Lilly, who was also sworn in.

## **8. DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

A. Transfer Station—GL reports New Barrel for re-cycled oil has come in; set-up for be taking place shortly. Discussions regarding Tokens and purchasing more tokens, Allan recommended that MF speak to Dave Probert on where to purchase the tokens.

B. School Report—Jeff Bickford reported there has been a 16% drop in enrollment, and there have been 11 retirements/resignation and there are currently 19 vacancies. Dresden has received a Tier 3 School rating of “C” meaning our school is not performing up-to standards.

C. Town Office—MF updated that New Computers will be installed 9/20/2021

- D. Roads—AM and GL is investigating replacement parts for the grader. Not having much luck with finding replacement parts; GL suggested that it might be prudent to see about getting rid of it before it has other issues. AM is going to talk to Pork Moody about handling the grading in the meantime.
- E. Fire Department—no report
- F. Water Department—MF report that Chuck is planning on being back from Oregon and helping his daughter medical recover in the next week or two

#### **G. CITIZENS BUSINESS—**

- i. Joe Wiley reports that the roof of Well House needs to be replaced. Board instructed MF to contact Jeff pierce regarding replacing the Cedar Shingles.
- ii. Dave Probert reports that he and Joe Wiley have re-claimed the David Reed Cemetery. That it can be seen now from the road.
- iii. Joe Wiley also reported that he has scanned the large record books from 1821-1829 at the Archives Department. There are about 40 more books to go. Joe also report having discovered 8-9 smaller books mostly on Vital Statistics, Deaths, Births, and marriage.
- iv. Gary Blau reports that there is a “big Pothole on Bog Road.” AM said he will get on it right away he had just recently filled it.
- v. AM reported that Sherry Moody contacted him regarding the Forest Hills Cemetery’s grass needing to be cut. MF explained that The Mowers are behind because of the rain and huimity. MF sited that even the town office grass which had been being cut every Wednesday and last week was not cut until Thursday, and even today it looks

like it had not be cut in several weeks. MF reported he would contact the Mowers and have them move Forest Hills to the top of the list.

**9. EXECUTIVE SESSION BY BOARD** at 6:59 pm, the motion by JR and 2<sup>nd</sup> by GL approved 3-0 to go into Executive Session. Personnel issues were discussed and recommendations made, and motioned to come out of Executive Session at 7:40 approved 3-0.

**10. ADJOURNMENT** Motioned to adjourned at 7:41 pm.

**PLEASE NOTE THE AGENDA CAN BE ALTERED OR ADJUSTED AT THE SELECTMEN'S MEETING. CHANGES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING.**