

**AGENDA**  
**SELECT BOARD MEETING**  
**Pownalborough Hall**  
**Tuesday, July 9, 2019**  
**6:00 PM**

**PRESENT:**

**SELECT BOARD:** Trudy Foss, Gerald Lilly, and Allan Moeller Sr.

**ADMIN:** Michael Henderson

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:** Steve Lilly, Mike Nylan, Pean Lilly, Brendan Parker, and David Everson

**RESIDENTS:** Gary Blau, Shirley Storkson, Shari Lilly, Jonathan Hackett, Ellen Kain, Elenor Everson

**REPORTS:** Art Mayers

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – First Selectman Trudy Foss called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
2. **APPROVE & SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** – Trudy motioned to approve the June 24, 2019 meeting minutes. Second Selectman Gerald Lilly seconded the motion and all approved.
3. **APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT** – Town Administrator Michael Henderson said that Aggressive Cuts had down their first mow of the summer and would conduct a second in early fall. Gerald asked about mower repairs. Third Selectman Allan Moeller said that he had the mower repair conducted. Gerald motioned to accept and sign Warrant 1. Trudy seconded the motion and all approved. Allan asked about the mowing hours for town properties. Michael said that 12 hours were recorded for the last 2 weeks.
4. **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS** – The next Select Board meeting will meet Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Pownalborough Hall.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
  - a. **TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY** – To sign a Quit Claim Deed for a previously Tax Acquired Property that has been fully paid off. Allan asked if the Town recouped the cost of the lien. Michael explained that the outstanding principle, interest, lien costs, and 2019 taxes were collected.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. **CEO FEE APPEAL** – Jonathan Hackett would like to request an appeal for a code violation. Jonathan moved in a mobile home at 52 Amy Circle before applying for a building permit. The Code Enforcement Officer James Valley informed Jonathan of the land use ordinance violation. The violation fee is 5 times the original fee cost. Jonathan requested that the fee be reduced to 2 times the fee amount. Gerald motioned to reduce the violation fee to \$365.60. Trudy seconded the motion and all approved.
  - b. **CONSENT AGREEMENT** – To discuss a consent agreement regarding a gravel pit – Allan said that he had spoken with the Code Enforcement Officer that morning and that no consent agreement had been signed. Trudy said the Town should issue a stop work

order through the CEO. Allan motioned to serve a stop work order to Heather Beasley on the Beasley Pit until a redemption plan is agreed upon between the land owner and the Town of Dresden. Gerald seconded and all approved.

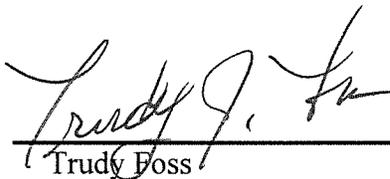
- c. GRADER TIRES – To discuss prices for the front two tires for the grader. There were prices for 2 new grader tires between \$1,226 and \$1,800. The cost to dispose of each tire is \$40.00. Gerald motioned to purchase new grader tires. Trudy seconded the motion and all approved.
- d. MOWER – To discuss the Town’s lawn mower. Gerald and Allan met with Scotty to look at the lawn mower. Allan said that the current mower is too fast and too unstable. Gerald said that the cheapest commercial mower was \$3,200 and the better mower was \$3,800. Both mowers were John Deere. Shari Lilly said that the current mower was only a few years old. Gerald explained that the current mower was for home use not commercial. Because of this, there is a lot of maintenance required. Allan said the town has spent between \$400 and \$500 on mower repairs. The current mower costs \$1,200 and is only good on flat land. Steve asked if the new mower has a zero-turn. Gary Blau asked if there would be a warranty for the new mower. Allan said that he didn’t know what the warranty would entail. Gerald said that x-series of mowers were better quality. The mower is 22 HP, cast iron, 48” deck, turf tires and it comes with a 4 year/300 hour warranty. Allan said that the current trailer could haul the new mower. Sonia Lilly asked if the town would sell the old mower. Allan said that yes, they would sell the current mower. Trudy motioned to buy the X-380 John Deere mower for \$3,800. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved.
- e. APPOINTMENTS – Allan motioned to sign and appoint Susan Carver, Ann Pierce, and Michael Henderson. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved.
  - i. TOWN CLERK – Susan Carver
  - ii. EXCISE TAX COLLECTOR – Ann Pierce
  - iii. PROPERTY TAX COLLECTOR – Ann Pierce
  - iv. TREASURER – Michael Henderson
  - v. PLANNING BOARD – Neal Amirault or Peter Elvin – Trudy announced that two people showed interest in the Planning Board position. Allan asked which of the two lived in town longer. Trudy said that Peter Elvin has lived in town for years and that Neal Amirault had moved to Dresden recently. Allan motioned to appoint Peter Elvin to the Planning Board. Gerald Seconded the motion and all approved.

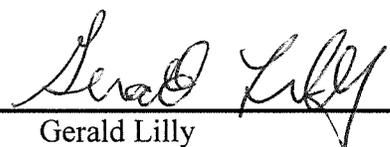
## 7. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

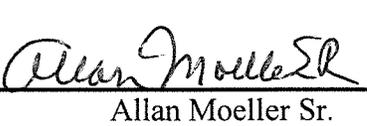
- a. Town Roads – Allan has been ditching and matting Calls Hill Road. They installed an underdrain 1’ below the road because of the spring in the road. Crooker filed the digsafe paperwork. Allan said there will be \$10,000 more on the road than expected. Allan said the road is getting done the right way and will last. There is a culvert failing on the Alexander Road. Gary asked if the budget would increase due to this unexpected cost. Allan said no, funds would be diverted from other road work to cover the cost. Eleanor Everson asked about the Courthouse Road and abutting property line. Allan said that he believed it was a 50’ right of way.

- b. Fire Department – Fire Chief Steve Lilly said that Engine 3 needs a seal and 4 air bottles need to be replaced. The bottles should be \$450 each with 10 years of life remaining. Dalmatian Bottles no longer sells used bottles. IPS is the cheapest available vendor. Training on pumpers and the aerial truck are being conducted. There will be a joint training with Richmond on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Allan asked if there can be a controlled burn on the Robinson property. Steve said he would take a look. Steve asked if there was a response for the MMA Grant. Michael said that he would follow up.
  - c. Transfer Station – Gerald said that he needs some additional signs. The area around the dumpster needs to be cutback. Allan said he could cut back the area with his excavator. Gerald motioned to buy an A/C unit for the transfer station. Trudy seconded the motion and all approved.
  - d. Town Office – Michael said that the office transition is going well. There have been no complaints about the change of hours yet. Also the turnaround time for marriage licenses has improved.
8. CITIZENS BUSINESS – Eleanor asked if there was any update on the cemetery damage from the October 2017 wind storm. Trudy said that Dave Probert was interested in working on the damaged stone. Gary asked about getting the website updated. Michael said that he requested updates to the website and is waiting. Gerald asked about conducting a shut in list. Michael will mail out a questionnaire in August. Shari asked about the questionnaire for the June 2020 Town Meeting time. Michael will draft a questionnaire for the Town Meeting.
9. OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS
10. ADJOURNMENT – Gerald motioned to adjourn the meeting. Allan seconded the motion and all approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:11 pm.

APPROVED BY

  
Trudy Foss

  
Gerald Lilly

  
Allan Moeller Sr.

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