

MINUTES
SELECT BOARD MEETING
POWNBOROUGH HALL

~~October 1, 2019~~ *Sept. 17th*
6:00 PM

ATTENDANCE:

SELECT BOARD:

Trudy Foss, Gerald Lilly and Allan Moeller Sr.

STAFF:

Michael Henderson, David Everson, Steve Lilly

PUBLIC:

Eleanor Everson, Shirley Storkson, Cindy Moeller, Heather Beasley, Gary Blau, Shari Lilly, Pean Lilly, Sherry Toll

PRESS:

Art Mayers and Evan Houk

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 – Second Selectman Gerald Lilly said that there was a correction to Item 5.B of the September 3rd meeting minutes. The name should have read Lisa Thompson Gerald motioned to approve and sign the meeting minutes with the correction. Third Selectman Allan Moeller seconded the motion and all approved.
3. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT – Allan asked if there was a new bill from Josh Watson. Town Administrator Michael Henderson said no invoice had been received recently from Watson. Trudy motioned to approve and sign the present warrant. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved.
4. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS – The next Select Board meeting will meet Tuesday, October 1st at 6:00 PM at the Pownalborough Hall.
5. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. ASSESSING AGENT RFP – To review most recent drafts of the assessing agent RFP. Heather asked when the bids were due. Allan said that according to the draft, the proposals would be due November 12th, but the date was tentative. Michael said that he was waiting for feedback from some Assessors.
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. TOWN PROPERTY PLOWING – To discuss town parking lot plowing. Michael asked if the Board was interested in extended the contract with Josh Watson. Allan said he would reach out to Watson to see if he is interested in plowing again. Gerald said he would reach out to the Fire Department to get their feedback for parking lot plowing last season. Heather asked why there would not be a bid process. Allan said there may be a bid process, but the Board may choose to extend the contract with Josh Watson if they were pleased with the quality of work and cost.
 - b. TOWN OFFICE RAMP – To discuss ramp quotes. Trudy read the quotes aloud: 101 Mobility cost \$14,500 for an aluminum ramp, Amramp cost \$34,800 for an aluminum ramp, and Glen Curtis quoted \$5,600 for a wooden ramp. Trudy pointed out that Curits

was the cheapest by a lot. Gerald commented on it being the only wooden ramp. Gerald asked Michael to reach out to Glen Curtis to schedule a meeting regarding the ramp.

- c. TAX ACQUIRED PROPERTY – To discuss current tax acquired property. Cindy Moeller asked how much there was outstanding for Tax Acquired Properties. Allan said there was over \$100,000 in outstanding taxes. Michael said there were about 25 properties in tax acquired status. Allan motioned to sell the two tax-acquired properties that had been formerly owned by the Robinsons on the Common Road for at least the cost of the outstanding taxes. Trudy seconded the motion and all approved. Cindy asked does it take to go to foreclosure. Trudy said that tax lien foreclosure was a three year process. Allan asked Michael to present information on all tax acquired property during the next meeting.
- d. ABATEMENTS & SUPPLEMENTALS - To approve and sign abatements and supplemental. Trudy said that there were two abatements and one supplemental that needed to be signed. Trudy said that one issue was caused by a confusing deed and one was from a parcel that was split three ways. Allan motioned to approve and sign the two abatements and supplemental. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved.

7. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

- a. Town Roads – Allan said that he spoke with Ben Goodall about cleaning the Salt and Sand Shed and informed Goodall that it must be clean before October 1st. Allan said that Goodall rented a loader to reach up high to clean the smoke damage. Allan said he was working with Josh Watson to replace culverts on the Everson Road and Indian Road. Allan said he would also grade the edges of Calls Hill Road. Allan then said he planned to pave 1/5 mile of the Bog Road.
- b. Fire Department – Pean Lilly requested \$500 for the Fire Department's Open House on October 2nd. Gerald said the Board would honor the request. Allan said that the bathrooms in the Fire Station are dirty and need to be cleaned. Allan said that the ladder truck was damaged during a training exercise. Michael said he reached out the MMA to file a claim and is waiting to hear more.
- c. Transfer Station – Gerald said to expect a bill for pipes to come in soon.
- d. Town Office – Michael said that the IRS Federal 941 and W-2 issues had been addressed.

- 8. CITIZENS BUSINESS – Cindy suggested that the Board consider a community partnership with the Wiscasset Recreation Department. Cindy said that the Recreation Department Director Lisa Thompson would be willing to meet with the Board. Gerald volunteered to meet with Lisa. Gerald said that this exactly would the recreation fund is for.

Heather Beasley asked what the legal expenses for the town were to date. Michael said they were \$1,363.75 which is the same as last meeting. Heather asked how much the invoice was for the historian. Michael said the town has not yet received an invoice. Heather asked about the status of her FOAA request. Michael said that the town is working on responding to the request, but there were many documents requested and the office is short staffed.

The RSU 2 Superintendent Sherry Toll introduced herself to the Select Board. Sherry said that she was frequently in town because she stops by Dresden Elementary at least once a week. Sherry suggested the Board and public reach out if they need anything.

Heather asked if Michael received a letter that day from her attorney. Michael said no he had not.

9. OTHER GENERAL BUSINESS

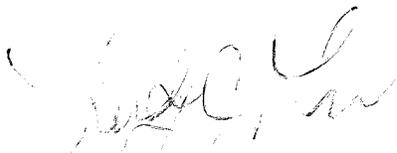
a. HISTORIC ROAD RESEARCH – Trudy said that the report from Jay Robbins was incomplete. Heather asked how many roads were being researched. Trudy said that Jay Robbins was researching the Rangeways, but focusing on Ballard Road. Trudy asked if the Board could meet next week with Jay Robbins. Allan said the Board should meet next Tuesday, September 24th at 4:00 PM.

b. PERSONNEL – To discuss the current town office personnel in executive session. Trudy read a resignation letter from Susan Carver. Gerald motioned to accept the resignation letter. Allan seconded the motion and all approved.

Trudy motioned to enter executive session pursuant 1 M.R.S §405(6)(A) to discuss personnel matters. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved. The Select Board entered executive session at 7:12 PM. Allan motioned to exit executive session. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved. The Select Board exited executive session at 8:26PM. Trudy said that no decision was made, the Board interviewed one applicant, and more interviews will be conducted.

10. ADJOURNMENT – Allan motioned to adjourn the meeting. Gerald seconded the motion and all approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 PM.

APPROVED BY



Trudy Foss



Gerald Lilly



Allan Moeller Sr.

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