

DRESDEN SELECTMEN MINUTES

JUNE 13, 2016

Pownalborough Hall

6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Present: Dale Hinote, Gerald Lilly, Allan Moeller, Selectmen; Shari & Pean Lilly, Suzie Lilly, Fire Dept.; Pat Theriault, Town Clerk; Scott Mullens, resident, Art Mayers and Abigail Adams, reporters.

ITEM 1. APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - Dale made a motion to approve the minutes, Gerry seconded and all approved.

ITEM 2. APPROVE & SIGN PRESENT WARRANT - Dale made a motion to approve the warrant, Gerry seconded, and all approved.

ITEM 3. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS / CITIZENS BUSINESS - The next Selectmen Meeting will be on Mon., June 27th at 6:00 pm at Pownalborough Hall. Elections are tomorrow at 8 am and Town Meeting is Sat. at 9 am, both at Pownalborough Hall.

Citizens Business - Abigail asked why the BRC and Selectmen differ on the Highway Budget. Allan said they just want to cut each item \$5,000 because they don't like the fact that we have funds left at the end of the year, which we may not this year, because we are having some paving done, that has been needed for a while, but we have to save up for that as it is a lot of money. Hot top prices are down right now, so we want to do it while it is down.

ITEM 4. ROADSIDE MOWING AGREEMENT – Aggressive Cuts LLC – Rick Drew, owner This contract is for \$1,050 per year for a three year term, through Oct. 2018. Gerry made a motion to sign this contract, Dale seconded and all approved.

ITEM 5. APPOINTMENTS - Bridge Academy Board of Trustees and Election Clerks - Gerry made a motion to appoint Julie Spratt, Nicholas Forest Sr. and Richard Graffam to the Board of Trustees for Bridge Academy, Dale seconded and all approved. Gerry made a motion to appoint Richard Ross, Amanda Silverman, Melissa Dore, Linda Biden, Judy Lewis, Robert Deboer, Ann Bever, Peter Elvin, Grace Deboer, Delia Cunningham, Mary Haven, Sharon Lilly, Judy Getchell, Sharon Allen, Carol Sanborn, Val Woodworth as Election Clerks, Dale seconded and all approved.

ITEM 6. MOWING TOWN PROPERTY – David Young - We have had David mow our lawns for two years at a cost of \$3100. He has asked for a \$200 increase this year. After some discussion Gerry made a motion to buy the necessary equipment and fuel, and pay a current employee to do the mowing, to save the town some costs. Allan seconded and all approved.

ITEM 7. DODGE RD. PROPERTY – Review yet? The Selectmen visited the site and talked to a neighbor who had some items piled in front of the access leading to the property, and asked

her to remove the items so we had access to it. She agreed to do that. One of them will go up and see if it is moved yet.

ITEM 8. ABATEMENT - We have an abatement for a mobile home that was moved out of Town prior to April 1, 2015, so she was billed and did not let us know, until she received a 30 day notice. She had her Mobile Home tax form where she had paid her taxes prior to moving it, but the form was given to the Tax Collector who put it in the folder instead of giving it to Trudy for processing. This abatement is for \$363.03. Allan made a motion to approve, Gerry seconded and all approved.

ITEM 9. GENERAL BUSINESS

Town Roads – Allan said that we still have beaver issues on Calls Hill. He has the trapper on it. He has a culvert replace which should be done by Friday on the Common Rd., and fixed a washout on Orchard Hill. He will be having some overlay done on Common Rd, Indian Rd and some culvert repairs.

Allan said Bob Faunce worked with him for a culvert replacement grant for Bog Rd., along with engineers Gartley & Dorskey. We received notification that we got the grant in the amount of \$95,000.

This will cost us \$20,000 +. Still need to get some estimates.

Fire Dept. - None

Solid Waste Issues – Scott asked if they can change the barrels that they use for the colored glass, to plastic totes, so the bottles don't break when dropped into the barrel. The Selectmen said that is fine.

Refund of building, plumbing and septic permit fees - Mike Cowing has asked for a refund, due to the deal falling through. The building permit was \$176 but \$20 of it is non-refundable. The Plumbing permit(\$40) was over the 180 day limit for a refund. The Septic fee was \$250 with \$62.50 not refundable. So we can refund \$156 for the building and \$187.50 for the Septic. The Selectmen determined that we need to charge him for the CEO's time involved with this. So they determined \$50 was a fair cost. Allan made a motion to refund \$293.50 to Mike, Gerry seconded and all approved.

It was discussed that we need to put a time limit on a refund for a permit. We can add this to the back of the application.

Any other General Business - **Elected Official Issue** - Allan said we have some real issue with this election and warrants not being posted on time and the clerk having to be told repeatedly to correct the ballots and still not having them right. Allan spent 3 hours at the office Friday with Pat and talked to Julie Flynn from the Secretary of State office and was told that she needed to get these things fixed and posted ASAP. Pat was supposed to post at the Voting place (Pownalborough Hall) on both doors, so people could get the info. She also said that if there is a problem with the November election, that won't go well at all. Allan said so this cannot happen again. He said that Trudy & Kim both spent the last couple weeks trying to get Pat to fix problems with the ballot. Took them 5 times of telling her to correct the errors and she still had not signed the ballot. He said it is the Select Boards duty to make sure this gets corrected and doesn't happen again. Residents need to know when there is a problem like this, that is what they count on us for, to keep them informed. Allan feels that each Selectmen needs to stop in to the office on a weekly basis, to see if there are any issues.

Gerry said the **E-Waste Collection** will be held on Saturday, June 25th from 9am to 4 pm.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:13 pm.

APPROVED BY

Dale Hinote

Gerald Lilly Sr.

Allan Moeller Sr.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN