

TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Select Board
Unapproved Minutes for Meeting of June 16, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.
Municipal Building, 15 Mechanic Street, Alstead, NH 03602
Conference call: (978) 990-5000, access code 539083#

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Rock Wilson; Mary Ann Wolf; Joe Levesque (in person)

STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Mike Jasmin, Health Officer; Jodi Kercewich, Transfer Station Supervisor; Prescott Trafton, Road Agent (in person); Bobbie Wilson, Vilas Pool Committee (on phone)

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Marge Noonan; Barbara Viegner (on conference call), Gordon Kemp; Judith Willis (in person)

GUESTS ON CONFERENCE CALL: James Fenn, CFO for SAU 60; Lori Landry, Superintendent for SAU 60

CALL TO ORDER: Rock Wilson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: At 6:00 p.m. Rock led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACTION ITEMS: Signed: bill and payroll manifest

DISCUSSION: The Board acknowledged Lori Landry. Lori stated that today was the last day for staff and they will be giving out awards remotely. They will be meeting on Thursday, 6/18 with the administration and into June and July to develop return to school plans. They are looking at other states such as MA, ME, MD and CA and will be developing their own plans along with guidance from the Commissioner of education. Rock asked if there will be any surplus. Lori stated that they aren't sure yet but believes there will be and there will be a board meeting Monday night where this will be discussed.

The Board acknowledged Jodi Kercewich. She said they would like to repair the floor in the blue building where the florescent tubes, metals, copper, brass and where batteries are stored and the railroad car where they keep electronics. Rock asked her to get three quotes. Jodi said they also need to get the garage door fixed. The Board was fine with this. Rock asked how it was going with the swap shop. Jodi said they are almost out, that as of today they have 30 days. Rock asked if she could start getting quotes for bailers. She said that she has started the process. Some discussion took place on future setup of recycling.

Discussion took place on starting to allow the public to attend the meetings. Mary Ann and Joe didn't want a packed room. Discussion on wearing masks, nothing was made mandatory regarding this. Rock asked the people on the phone for their input. Some said they would prefer to attend in person. Decision was made to continue with the conference call and allow people to attend if they wanted to.

Prescott got the wood for Bell Hill bridge, and it's just a matter of fitting it into the schedule. They have trucks loaded up with gravel for Pine Cliff and Bazin Brothers will move in first of July to start doing final grade and then pave. They were able to get hot top in for the Main St. project which came out good.

Prescott presented a purchase order for cutting edges in the amount of 2,615.79. After some discussion on this, the PO was signed by all three members. Rock asked Prescott his thoughts on giving the left-over culverts that were on Pine Cliff to Timber Owners of New England. Prescott was okay with this because they were rotted out on the ends and otherwise, he would have to crush them down and remove them. Timber Owners wants to put them on a logging road. Two-part purchase order. The first was for a 3000-gallon tank, spray bar, pump, hose kit, agitation kit, and getting set up to do calcium chloride in the winter which is less corrosive on vehicles. The amount is \$4,652.88. After some discussion the purchase order was signed by Rock and Joe. The second part was for the liquid which was 1.28 a gallon. The purchase order was for 3000 gallons in the amount of \$3,840.00. This would be to control dust on roads. After some discussion the purchase order was signed by Rock and Joe.

Charlotte said that DCYF inquired on whether they could put a sign out on the triangle area on Mechanic St. recruiting Foster parents. All were in agreement.

Charlotte presented a draft copy of the notice of sale for the tax deeded property. She asked if they wanted to put a minimum bid amount. After some discussion, it was agreed to put \$5,000 as a minimum and all was fine with the way the wording was.

Joe did ask Bryan Hughes about getting PPE for the election workers and hadn't heard back from him yet.

Joe said he would like to put together a committee for looking into broadband. He said that he talked with Lori Landry to see if she could find out if there were any parents in Alstead that had to go out and get internet in order to go to school remotely. Joe would like to get a committee going for just this town. Both Rock and Mary Ann was fine with this.

Mary Ann mentioned that the first time they used the new deliberator it saved a person's life. The crew will be presented an award by the survivor next month at the ambulance meeting if anyone wants to attend.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of June 2, 2020: On a motion by Mary Ann Wolf, seconded by Joe Levesque; ***the Board voted to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.***

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Gordon Kemp asked Charlotte if Melanie had reached out to her about the Planning Board meeting in person. Charlotte said she hadn't heard anything from Melanie on this.

INFORMATIONAL:

NON-PUBLIC SESSION (NPS): On a motion by Joe seconded by Mary Ann; ***the Board voted by roll call vote to enter into NPS pursuant to RSA 91-A:3 II (c) at 6:55 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.***

Select Board members present were: Rock Wilson, Mary Ann Wolf and Joseph Levesque. Also present was Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Mike Jasmin, Health Officer

Discussion took place by Mike Jason regarding property on Murphy Hill with no water or sewerage and children that live there. He has been working with the owner, DCYF and Police Officer, Wendy Rawling. Mike said he is helping the owner to clean up but it will not be habitable again. He said that children under 18 will be staying with other relatives nearby. Mike said that DCYF and Alstead Police have been very helpful in the situation.

There was little discussion regarding volunteers for the cemetery/transfer station. Joe will check with Walpole Select Board to see what they know about having volunteers at the transfer station.

On a motion by Mary Ann Wolf, seconded by Joe Levesque; ***the Board voted to exit NPS and reconvene public meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.***

On a motion by Mary Ann; seconded by Joe, ***the Board voted to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.***

Respectfully submitted,



Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

The next meeting of the Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, June 30th at 6:00 p.m.