

Minutes of Selectmen's Meeting of October 10, 2019

(Approved 10/24/2019)

Meeting opened at 7:08. Present: Selectmen Vern Worthen, Gary Mosher, Jerry Redlevske, Tax Collector-Treasurer Yolanda Violette, Secretary Fran Varney, Flint Christy, Adam Keene, and Fred LaPlante.

FIRST RESPONDERS: Adam Keene was present to discuss workers' compensation and medical malpractice insurance coverage for the First Responders with Flint Christy, the Town's insurance agent from Kyes-Philbrick. Flint will seek clarification of a few more details with the underwriter for clarification of coverage; and Flint expects that the questions of First Responders will be addressed by the current coverage.

Naming a new Director of Mercer Rescue was discussed, since the former Director Dana Knight has been unavailable. The Town will attempt to contact Dana again for input (3-0 vote); if not response by November 7 meeting, the Selectmen will move forward to appoint a new Director. Aaron Gordon is available to be director, and Adam Keene is available for backup.

MINUTES: Minutes from September 26, 2019 approved 2-0.

GRANT: Yolanda is waiting to hear from Quality Electric for their estimate.

POLE PERMIT: CMP pole permit notification was received and signed.

SAD/RSU 54: School Board minutes were received.

TREE GROWTH APPLICATION: A tree growth application was approved and signed (it had been submitted earlier, but was unsigned by the Forester).

STATE SALES ANALYSIS: Received and reviewed.

2017 TAX LIEN FORECLOSURES: Nine were mailed.

TOWN OFFICE: Open on October 14, 2019.

BOUNDARY LINE AGREEMENT: The Mills Trustee has signed it and is mailing it back to the Town.

SPIRIT OF AMERICA: Adam Keene and others will attend on October 16 to receive the Town of Mercer Award. Yolanda and Fran plan to attend as well.

AUTO RECIYCLING LICENSE: Vern Worthen inspected the business of Cole Belanger, and the permit was approved and signed.

CITIZEN COMPLAINT: Town will send a letter to an East Sandy River property owner and the resident on the property that Sandy River Road is a town way, based on the Town's available information, and cannot be blocked.

CHIPPING AND GRINDING PROJECT: Still not sure if the two-mile chipping and grinding project is possible within this year's budget.

BRIDGE-DAM PROJECT on Main Street: Is it possible that DIFW and MDOT have different records concerning state ownership of the dam?

MERCER COMMUNITY CENTER:

Jerry Redlevske will continue plowing the community center and the transfer station at the same rate as last year.

Roof leak is being caused by cracks in the rubber part of the brown shingles.

Chimney mortar also needs repair.

SUMMER ROADS WORK

- Ditching on Corson Road near Levesque place
- Bacon Road
- Two culverts on Ladd Road and one on Tibbetts Road.
- Elm Street between Jones' place and Fredericks Corner Road washed out in storm
- Donnie filled hole near Bridge.
- One or two more gradings, depending on weather.

WARRANT PREVIEW - approved 3-0. Includes Somerset County bill.

FINAL WARRANT signed.

NEXT MEETINGS - October 24, November 7 and 21, December 5, 19 and 30.

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Fran Varney