

**Town of Royalton**  
**Selectboard Meeting Minutes DRAFT**  
**6/27/2023 6:30 PM**  
**Virtual / In-person Meeting**

**Royalton Selectboard:** Stuart Levasseur, Chris Noble, Tim Murphy, Jerry Barcelow, John Dumville

**Town Staff & Committee Members:** Victoria Paquin (Town Administrator), Loretta Stalnaker (Police Chief), Rita Hull (Treasurer), Todd Ballentine (Constable), Paul Brock (Fire Chief), John Leighton (RTS manager), Brad Salzman (EMD)

**Public:** Tom Hartt

**Agenda:** Jerry moved to approve the agenda with the addition of storm recovery as a topic and any non-essential items postponed to a later date. Tim seconded and the motion carried.

**Public Comment:** There were no public comments this evening.

**Vehicle Damage:** Tom Hartt relayed that his motorcycle was damaged by a large rock that was in the road during the process of grading. There was some discussion on normal road conditions and expected activities. The board suggested that Tom contact his insurance company.

There was continued discussion about having a policy in place for this type of issue. Victoria will research and draft a policy for the board's review.

**Storm Recovery:** Brad suggested that the board write a letter to the Red Door Church thanking them for acting as an emergency shelter when the academy building became inaccessible. Chris will write the letter.

Paul Brock reports that the town needs additional personal flotation devices and road closed signs for future incidents. During the event, Paul had 22 firefighters who contributed a total of 375 hours.

Tim says that formal thank you letters to all who aided the town during this event are appropriate.

Initial damage reports are being compiled, however assistance will be needed to correctly document everything for eventual FEMA reimbursement of repair costs. Chris moved to hire Ian MacKenzie as a consultant for FEMA compliant damage documentation and report preparation at a cost not to exceed \$9,000. Tim seconded and the motion carried.

**Tax Sale:** Tim moved to authorize Chris to spend up to \$3,500 to purchase an unsold parcel at tax sale on the town's behalf. Jerry seconded and the motion carried.

**Town Administrator:** Jerry moved to approve the purchase of the equipment needed for dispatching from the ARPA fund. Tim seconded and the motion carried.

**Rec Dept:** Jerry moved to appoint David Donaghue to the rec department. John seconded and the motion carried.

**Transfer Station Tree Thinning:** Jerry moved to provisionally approve the removal of some trees from the land at the transfer station with approval from David Barker on behalf of the conservation commission. Tim seconded and the motion carried.

**Minutes:** Jerry moved to approve the minutes of June 26<sup>th</sup>. John seconded and the motion carried.

**Warrants:** The warrants were reviewed and approved as submitted.

**Other Business:** There was no other business this evening.

Jerry moved to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Tim seconded and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Victoria Paquin  
Royalton Town Administrator