



Select Board /Assessors Meeting Summary

Nov. 22, 2023

7 p.m.

Select Board members present: Wesley Daniel, Katherine Grinnell and Mitchell Garnett

Others present: Town Clerk Mary Anderson, Health Officer Brian Alves, resident Andrew Eggan

Wesley Daniel called the Select Board meeting to order at 7 p.m.

Approve Summary of Nov. 15, 2023: Motion to approve summary by Mitch, Kate seconded; all in favor, motion carries.

Sign Treasurer's Warrants dated Nov. 23, 2023:

P/R Warrant #93: \$9,294.92

A/P Warrant #94: \$37,522.21, which includes a plow truck payment.

Motion to approve warrants by Kate, Mitch seconded; all in favor, motion carries.

Road Foreman Report: Written by Frank Jones Jr. and read by Wes

11/13: Worked on P200 plow and put new cutting edges on; worked on P600 body; made new plow lift hook for P200

11/14: Worked on P600 and painted truck rims

11/15: Worked on P600 plow and chipped brush around the salt shed

11/16: Jonathan took a holiday; mixed winter sand and unloaded culverts; Steven changed oil in P600 and greased;

Frank picked up parts for P500 wing

CEO Report: None.

Health Officer Report: Brian has been investigating a complaint about improper disposal of human waste reported by several neighbors. There is no septic system on the property, and no well or running water. The disposal is near the well of a neighboring property and Brian asked the occupants to cease the activity. There are code violations as well and Brian asked for Select Board members' help in urging CEO Corey Fortin to take swift action. There is a septic plan on file with the town office.

Mary asked if the property owner, who is renting the building to others, could be forced to provide a port-a-potty as a temporary solution to the waste disposal issue. Brian said he would attempt to contact the owner with the request, as the owner had left his phone number with the town office.

Andrew Eggan owns the adjacent property and the well near which the waste disposal has been witnessed. He said the Sheriff's Office is aware of problems at the property, as is the fire department. He agreed that a temporary solution of a port-a-potty would be better than nothing.

The next step is to contact DHHS if the property owner does not provide a port-a-potty. Wes will reach out to Corey about the code violations.

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Report: All 2021 property taxes have been paid, so there are no foreclosures. Reminder letters were sent to 143 property owners with outstanding 2023 taxes; if the taxes aren't paid by Dec. 31, names are published in the annual report.

Wes made a motion to adopt a motor vehicle inventory policy, Mitch seconded; all in favor, motion carries.

A revenue share check of \$23,326.24 was received.

Town employees will have a potluck Christmas party on Dec. 20.

The Roads Reserve Account has earned about \$11,000 interest since it was opened in 2020.

Broadband update: None.

Other Agenda Items: A public comment period is open for the Farrar Bridge (over Jackson Stream on Route 105) project. There is an on-demand presentation available and notice will be posted.

Select Board members signed the October bank statement.

Appleton's Comprehensive Plan also is open for public comment and will be posted. The comment period closes Dec. 12.

Other business: None.

Questions/comments: None.

Kate made a motion to adjourn, Wes seconded; meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Stephanie Grinnell