

Salisbury Select Board Regular Meeting

Tuesday, May 23, 2017
Approved June 13, 2017

Call to Order at 7PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Present for the Board:

Chair – Martha Sullivan, Pat Dunn, Pedie O'Brien, Tom Scanlon, Paul Vaczy

Others Present: Tom Barker, Brenda Burchard, Becky Holmes, John Metcalfe, Jim Selleck, David Selleck, Sue Scott, Heidi Willis, Mary Anne Sullivan

Changes to the Agenda:

Under "Highway" – Add update to RR crossing meeting

Under "Old Business" – Add town office maintenance

Minutes of May 9, 2017:

Tom Scanlon noted the following corrections/amendments:

Under "Highway," the third bulleted item should read "the 1998 truck..."

Under "Correspondence," the second bulleted item should be amended to read:

"Information from the audit, including a recommendation that someone else needs to check the treasurer's work on the computer. It was noted that Quickbooks was not designed for multiple accounts, however Brenda indicated she could make it work."

Tom Scanlon then moved that **"We approve the May 5, 2017 minutes as amended and corrected."** The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

Jim Selleck David Selleck asked if the Select Board had any questions concerning the Masons and their lease. Chair explained that the matter will be on their agenda again. The Board had no questions.

Officers' Reports:

Sue Scott explained that she does not have time to invest in web site work; she would rather concentrate on her other clerk duties. She informed the Board that Bodette will be here Jun1 to pump the septic system and that David Crane has serviced the boilers at the town office and library. Sue asked the Board what they wished to have in her bi-weekly report.

Brenda Burchard announced that there will be a June 6th meeting at the town office with SWIP grant management personnel. She needs paperwork submitted to her documenting last year's work. She also noted that VLCT insurance will not pay vendors directly. For example, the Town must pay VTRANS and then VLCT will reimburse the town. Brenda noted that the application for a line of credit must be submitted for fiscal year 2018 and sought the Board's advice as to the amount to ask for. She also noted that she will be meeting with Telling & Telling to go over recommendations for internal controls. Tom Scanlon moved that **"The treasurer co-ordinate with Telling & Telling for assistance on internal controls of town's finances."** The motion carried 5/0.

Highway:

Road Foreman Tom Barker reported that he has received the recently purchased truck body, that he continues to work on staining the shed, and that he has received no responses to the ad for help in the paper. The final landscaping and grass seeding is finished for the Maple Street Bridge. He also reported on the meeting for railroad crossings.

Amtrak is planning to have a direct passenger service to Burlington by 2020. To complete that, they need to build up the grade at railroad crossings. They will also be erecting lights and bars at those crossings.

Road Commissioner Paul Vaczy reported that Cornwall has submitted the bridge rental agreement (for the swamp bridge.) Our town attorney has reviewed it and recommends Salisbury sign it. Tom Scanlon moved that **“The Road Commissioner be designated as the Salisbury signee for the rental bridge agreement.”** Motion carried unanimously - 5/0

Landfill:

Pedie reported that she is working on the paperwork to determine the average cubic waste discarded by Salisbury residents.

Heidi Willis reported that the compost event at the landfill was a very successful one (another is planned for July). The Addison County Solid Waste District supplied materials and a composting bin to raffle off. (The winner was Greg Schroeder’s dog who immediately donated it to the school.) Jim Andrews also got white scrap buckets from the college to hand out.

Committee Reports:

Heidi then introduced John Metcalfe to the Board who gave his background to the Board and expressed interest in being on the Conservation Commission. As there is an open seat, Tom Scanlon moved that **“We appoint John Metcalfe to the Salisbury Conservation Commission for a 3 year term.”** Motion carried unanimously – 5/0.

Correspondence:

- Delinquent Tax Report for May. \$62,805.08 delinquent
- Public Notice of Songaweedin Manor House changes
- Notice for public comment on Keewaydin’s federal permit application for backpacking in the National Forest
- Call to Vermont Musicians from Big Heavy World
- Mary Bagley’s note concerning barking dog problem Court date is set for Jun 6.
- Request from listers for a 30 day extension in filing the grand list

Pedie O’Brien moved that **“We approve the listers’ request for a 30 day extension for filing the grand list.”** Motion carried 5/0

Old Business:

Website: After some discussion, Tom Scanlon moved that **“We appoint Jackie Devoid, Tom Scanlon, and Mary Anne Sullivan to work on re-establishing a web site for the town.”** Motion carried unanimously 5/0

Mowing Bids:

After Board consideration, Pat Dunn moved **“We ratify awarding the mowing bid to Chuck Steady.”** Motion carried 5/0

(Old Business cont'd)

Town office maintenance – The Board discussed the peeling paint around doorways, the need for new trim paint and the repair of some outside wood problems. There are also potential issues with the posts at the post office bulletin board and paint needed there as well. As Mary Anne suggested her, the Board asked Mary Anne to contact Lee Kahrs to see if she is interested in the job.

Member Concerns: Nothing additional

Paul Vaczy moved that **“We discuss financials and authorize the treasurer to pay the bills.”** Motion carried 5/0.

Pedie O'Brien moved **“We adjourn.”** Motion carried unanimously 5/0.

The Salisbury Select Board adjourned at 8:20PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Anne Sullivan
Minute Taker