

**SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 6, 2017**

**Present:** Doug Niles, Jonathan O’Keefe, Ed Barber, Mark Castonguay, Jeff Noyes, Bill Hawkins, Joel Cope, David Page, Ray Fontaine, and Teresa DeBonville.

**Chairperson, Doug Niles called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.**

**Update agenda:** Doug Niles wanted to update the agenda with the discussion of purchasing I-pads for town workers. Doug approached the board about purchasing at least one I-pad this year to see how town workers like them and if it works out putting money in the budget for the 2018 calendar year to purchase more along with a projector that attaches to them. Doug Niles motions to purchase an I-pad in 2017. Jonathan O’Keefe seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

**Public comment:** The board was informed that JP Gervais , from the Brighton Ambulance/Lyndon Rescue squad asked to be put on the agenda for the next select board meeting to discuss potential changes to our services.

**Roads:** Joel informed the board about the training session on the new municipal roads permits that he had attended earlier in the day. This included the information about the category A inventory (this is the inventory of the hydrologically connected roads to the state) that will need to be done by 2020. Joel informed the board that this also included training on highway law.

David Page was present on behalf of the Brighton Snowmobile Club to ask that the attached list of roads be opened to snowmobiles. A motion was made by Jonathan O’Keefe to open all roads on the attached list with the addition of South Street, from Maple St to Mountain St. Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

**Buildings and maintenance:** Ray Fontaine informed the board that the footbridge repairs had been done, so water should not pool up on the landing anymore.

Ray also asked the board if it was ok to leave some chairs and tables at the welcome center for meetings that are scheduled to be held there instead of moving them back and forth. The board agreed that this would be ok as long as the chairs were marked “Town of Brighton” on the back.

The board discussed the purchasing of a public water fountain for the gym. A motion was made by Doug Niles to look into the

purchasing and installing of a water fountain in the gym. Jonathan O'Keefe seconded the motion, all in favor, so carried.

The board discussed the fact that as of 2020 organic waste will not be allowed in the Landfills anymore. Our town does not have the option to bring organic waste to the recycle center at this time. A motion was made by Jonathan O'Keefe to allow residential organic recycling at the recycle center starting in January 2018. Doug Niles seconds the motion, all in favor

**Buildings and maintenance (cont.):** Joel informed the board that he met with Tom Barrup from Kingdom Construction about the elevator shaft in the town hall. Tom will now contact the vendor about this. Tom also looked at insulating the attic at the depot, repairing the roof and painting the dormers as a general contractor's job with the possible funding coming from a grant application at least for the roof.

**Personnel:** Tabled.

**Waste Water Treatment Plant Inspection:** The board was given a copy of the waste water treatment plant inspection that was done by the state to review. The report gave the town excellent reviews.

**Pay orders:** The board reviewed the general and road pay orders and signed them.

**Previous minutes:** The board reviewed the minutes of the November 15, 2017 meeting. Doug Niles motions to accept the minutes as printed, all in favor, so carried.

**Other business:** Doug Niles said he would like to officially thank Mike Strait on a job well done for the first annual Holiday Magic event. This event was a huge success.

Doug informed the board that he received an email from the planning board stating that they would like to add the recreation plans to the town plan and Doug was looking for the selectboard's input on this as well.

The select board was officially given the resignation of Lucille Stevens as BCA member.

Joel informed the board of mediation on Friday, December 8, 2017 at 10:00 AM. Doug Niles will be present for this.

**Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.**