

## SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 4, 2021

Present: Michael Strait, Jeanne Gervais, Heather McElroy, Neil and Lynda Yates, Matthew Hand, Ed Barber, Joel Cope, and Teresa DeBonville.

Chairperson, Michael Strait called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Update Agenda: Adjust tax rate.

A change was made to the 2021 grand list, so the tax rate had to be adjusted. A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to adjust the residential tax rate to \$2.1375 and the non-residential to \$2.1304. Heather McElroy seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Public comment: Lynda Yates and Matthew Hand were present to give the town information on AFLAC and see if the town was interested in offering this to its employees. The town clerk will see if there is any interest from the employees for this supplemental insurance, and if there is will contact Lynda Yates to set up a meeting to explain in detail the program. If the employees want this; it would be at their cost and will be deducted from their checks.

Road department: Mark has been approved for the MRGP Hydrologically Connected Roads Grant. He will be working on getting projects together for this grant.

Mark has been approved for the Head of the Pond project grant, and will be working on this project.

Bruce has been working on fixing the outside of the town garage building.

Buildings and maintenance: Michael would like Bruce to look at the pavement on the track side of the railroad depot. When it rains, the water pools by the foundation and the concern is that this is leaking into the basement.

Insurance: This was covered under public comment.

VOREC Funds: Joel asked the board if they had any ideas on how to spend the remaining VOREC Funds before he sends in all the invoices for reimbursement. The board discussed ideas on how to bring people's attention to the fact that we have the boat dock.

Access to gravesite: The board received a request for permission for temporary access to a landowner's property to visit a private burial ground. The board will take no action on this matter.

Dog issues: Heather will draft a letter to send out to the owners of the unlicensed dogs.

Personnel: Nothing.

Pay orders: Tabled.

Approve minutes of previous meeting: The board reviewed the minutes of the July 21, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Jeanne Gervais to accept the minutes as printed. Heather McElroy seconds the motion all in favor, so carried.

Other business: None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.