

July 24, 2023

Select Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Select Board Members: Jay Marsh, Carlos Martin, Chris Mann

Town Clerk: Nancy LaRose

1. Adjustments or Changes to Agenda:
2. Select Board confirmed/approved tax rates.
3. Received a phone call regarding a sink hole on the Town Green. Jay and Carlos looked at it. Jay called Wayne, and he'll take a look at it and repair it.
4. Reviewed and Approved Minutes of 07/10/2023 Select Board Meeting.
5. Approved Orders/Bills to be paid.

6:00 p.m.

Lucas Tilton, Lucy Rogers, Don Lynch, Shawn LaRose and Jeff Tilton joined the meeting to discuss Town ARPA funds

- Jay shared his math figures for putting down 2 miles of new gravel.
- Chris said that Roger Marcoux had to cancel the scheduled meeting and postponed for August 7th. We should have an estimate of police presence in Waterville at next ARPA meeting.
- Lucy asked about the process of sharing with the townspeople any decisions that get made. SB said they give updates at annual Town Meetings. It was suggested that anyone interested on being on the ARPA committee should talk to Nancy, and any ideas would be welcomed as well. At this point, the committee and Select Board will make all decisions.
- Nancy said she'd be getting a quote from IT for an upgraded computer system at the Town Clerk's Office. This would include new software and cloud capabilities. Jeff suggested that we add the owl camera system and monitor to this for a remote meeting space with zoom meeting options. Jeff had some estimates for this, \$1,250 plus annual zoom fees.
- Solar was also brought up. The Select Board feel pretty strongly that they don't want solar panels on the rooves of the Town Clerk's Office or Town Hall. Other off sites was suggested, like the sand pile site, the gravel pit site or maybe behind the Town Clerk's office. Shawn will reach out to Sustainable VT to ask them to come out and do assessments on these sites. We will look forward to their findings and if they think it would be feasible to move forward with this solar project.
- Jay asked if maybe we use some ARPA funds to crush more gravel at the pit, then adding gravel to roads as well if we decide to do that.
- Covering the sand pit with a hoop barn or cover was brought up.

Next ARPA Committee meeting will be on Monday, August 21st at 6:00 pm

Motion made by Jay and seconded by Carlos to Adjourn.

Adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Nancy LaRose, Town Clerk