

TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE
SELECTBOARD MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017

Present: Gary Mullen, John O'Brien, Mike McPhetres, Rodney Hoyt, Judy Howe, Henry Swayze, Marion Rose, Kevin Rose and Jackie Higgins

Meeting called to order 6:12 p.m.

Road Foreman Report:

Mud Season coming along.

Gage Road was taken care of with 1 load of material.

Little section of Button Hill Road need attention.

1 ton truck going to Middlebury, all under warranty work.

Sonny Moses to be paid \$15.00 per hour as temporary on the Road Crew.

VELCO needed a place to leave equipment during bad weather. Rodney gave them permission to leave at Town Garage off to side out of way.

Air Compressor has been installed.

Update on Thomas Hoyt – 2 plates on both sides of spine – he is coming along well.

New Business:

Marion and Kevin Rose residents of Frye Road. Live ½ mile up on the right hand side, Class 4 section. Requested signage on both ends of Frye Road to keep traffic off road during mud season from 3/1 to 5/1. Mike made motion and John second posting road. So moved.

Judy Howe – Town Hall issues – Andrea Howe requested use of Town Hall for 5th and 6th graders from Marlboro, VT to camp if they can't get the Dodge-Gilman Building at Fairgrounds. They will be charged normal rental fee.

Andy Rogers requesting placement of plaque at Town Hall. He will need to come to a Selectboard meeting to discuss.

Recreation Committee leaving a mess after serving breakfast at the Town Hall. Judy will start billing additional cleaning to the Recreation Committee.

Henry Swayze – Priced comfortable folding chairs for Town Hall. Need between 70 and 80 at \$15.00 per chair. Selectboard approved purchase and money will come out of memorial donation. Jackie will call the school to see if they want old folding chairs from Town Hall.

EC-Fiber – Henry asked when the forms would be sent back with the town representatives. Jackie stated that they already had been emailed to Dan. She also spoke with Dan confirming that he got them.

Payroll Orders were approved and signed.

General, Highway, Insurance and Recreation orders were approved and signed.

Overweight Permits were approved and signed.

Green Up Vermont Grant was approved.

AOT Financial Reports were signed and approved.

Action Items:

Jackie Higgins to call school on folding chairs.

Jackie Higgins to schedule meeting with the Selectboard and the Friends of the Town Hall.


Judy Howe to look into person to clean windows.

Rodney Hoyt to get price on Pickett's Sand.


Mike made motion to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. John second. So moved.



Gary Mullen



John O'Brien



Mike McPhetres

TUNBRIDGE SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 3, 2017

6:00 P.M.

TUNBRIDGE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING

Present: Gary Mullen, John O'Brien, Michael McPhetres, Rodney Hoyt and Jackie Higgins

Meeting called to order 6:05 p.m.

Road Foreman Report: Rodney discussed Thomas Hoyt being out for surgery. Four to Eight week recovery time. Rodney will contact Sonny Moses to fill in.

#6 Truck going to Freightliner to have gasket fixed, should be covered by warranty.

Mike made motion to accept Tenco's bid of \$61,458.00 for new truck body. John second. So moved.

One ton truck heading to Middlebury. Possible head gasket issues. Repairs should be under warranty.

Compressor should be delivered 4/4/17. A 50 Amp service at the pump needs to be installed and a welding outlet will be removed.

Mike made motion to hire Sonny to cover for Thomas during recovery. John second. So moved.

New Business:

Conservation Commission appointments – John made motion to appoint Betsy Geiser, Aaron Weed, Isaac Sacca, Margaret Sherlock and Butch Howe. Devon Cilley would be an alternative. Mike second. So moved.

Michael Sacca will organize first meeting.


Painting Bids – Jackie to put painting bids in The Herald and Valley News newspapers for Town Hall, Town Office and Congregational Church.

John O'Brien made motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Mike McPhetres second. So moved.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Jacqueline Higgins**



Gary Mullen



John O'Brien



Michael McPhetres

TUNBRIDGE SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 20, 2017

6:00 P.M.

TUNBRIDGE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING

Present: Gary Mullen, John O'Brien, Michael McPhetres, Rodney Hoyt

Meeting called to order: 6:05 p.m.

Road Foreman Report: Rodney reported that the bed chains in Truck #5 and Truck #6 both broke this week. Road crew was able to fix Truck #6's bed chain and then adapted it to fit in Truck #5. A new bed chain was purchased for Truck #6.

Sporn's mailbox was knocked down. Road crew fixed it as best they could until the ground thaws.

Truck #5's lights wouldn't turn off. The culprit: A modular unit malfunctioned. Truck sent to Freightliner in Lebanon to be fixed.

Discussion concerning Larry Wight's vacation bank. Selectboard agreed that, as the new personnel policy has not been approved, the status quo would remain the policy on vacation days banked.

New truck: After comparing bids from Freightliner and International, the Selectboard decided to go with a six-wheel Freightliner. Mike made the motion to accept the Freightliner bid of \$111,089, with \$25,000 off for the trade of Truck #5, making the cost to Tunbridge, \$86,089, plus seven aluminum wheels (six and a spare) instead of steel wheels. John seconded. Passed unanimously. Rodney predicted that if Tunbridge ordered the truck now, we'd have it by Christmas.

Rodney expected the roads to be posted on 3/21 for mud season.

New Business:

Appointments:

Mike made the motion to keep the Selectboard positions the same—Gary, Chair; Mike, Vice Chair; John, Clerk. John seconded. So moved.

For Posting Places, the Selectboard designated the Town Clerk's, the Post Office, and the Town Website.

For a newspaper, the Selectboard designated THE HERALD OF RANDOLPH.

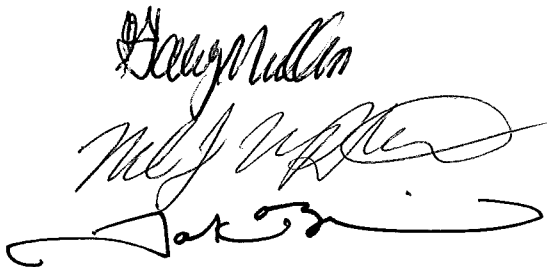
Planning Commission: No appointments or reappointments were made to the Planning Commission. Ben Wolfe had recently been appointed. Dates of Term Expirations appear to be bollyxed and need to be sorted out.

Selectboard appointed Town Officers and Representatives as required by law. John made motion to sign and submit the Appointment list. Mike seconded. So moved.

Selectboard discussed moving monthly meetings to a different day of the week, but decided to postpone any action until OKed by Administrative Assistant, Jackie Higgins, and Town Treasurer, Becky Hoyt.

Selectboard followed up Town Meeting discussion on who to send Town Reports to. Selectboard agreed that, instead of deciding who got a Town Report, Tunbridge could give residents and non-residents the option to NOT receive a hard copy Town Report if they didn't want it or wanted to go paperless. Selectboard will discuss that option with auditors.

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. Seconded. So moved.



Three handwritten signatures in cursive script, stacked vertically. The top signature appears to be 'Becky Hoyt', the middle one 'Jackie Higgins', and the bottom one 'John [unclear]'. The signatures are written in black ink on a white background.

TUNBRIDGE SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 6, 2017
6:00 P.M.
TUNBRIDGE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING

Present: Gary Mullen, John O'Brien, Michael McPhetres, David Kimball and Jackie Higgins
Meeting called to order 6:05 p.m.
Road Foreman Report: Road Foreman was not present no report.

New Business:

David Kimball for the Royalton Rescue contract status. Contract was approved and signed.
Lister's Certificate of no appeals or any suits pending was approved and signed.
Orders were approved and signed.
Payroll orders were approved and signed.
NEMRC contract signed for new computer programming.
Audit bids were opened. Only one received. Batchelder Associates, PC bid of \$7500.00.
John O'Brien made motion to accept bid. Mick McPhetres second. So moved.
Truck bids will be reviewed for next Selectboard meeting scheduled March 20, 2017.

Orange County Parent Child Center public hearing was brought to order at 6:30 p.m.

Jackie Higgins read the following:

The Town of Tunbridge received \$285,000 VCDP grant working with the Orange County Parent Child Center for acquisition of the old Wellspring School. OCPCC moved their program and services to the new building and are serving 478 adults and children of which at least 382 are persons of low or moderate income. With the new building, OCPCC has strengthened their public preschool partnerships in Tunbridge, Chelsea, So. Royalton and Barre. OCPCC also has a new partnership with Head Start and is a community site for Veggie Van Go (fresh produce available to the public).

There were no public comments.

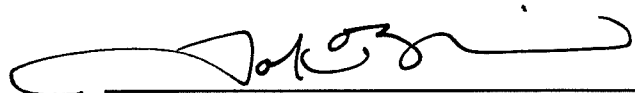
John O'Brien made motion to adjourn public hearing at 6:45 p.m. Mike McPhetres second. So moved.

John O'Brien made motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m. Mike McPhetres second. So moved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jacqueline Higgins



Gary Mullen



John O'Brien



Michael McPhetres

**TUNBRIDGE SELECTBOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 20 – 6:00 p.m.
TUNBRIDGE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING**

Present: Gary Mullen, John O'Brien, Mike McPhetres, Rodney Hoyt, Kevin Barnaby, David Kimball and Jackie Higgins

Meeting called to order 6:00 p.m.

No changes to agenda.

Payroll and Highway, General, Recreation and Insurance Orders approved.

Road Foreman Report:

Backup Trucks for mud-season – John O'Brien made motion to hire extra trucks if necessary during mud-season. Mike McPhetres second. So moved.

Loader Repairs – pump needs to be replaced at a cost of \$3000.00. If all goes well should have loader back by end of the week.

New Business:

Kevin Barnaby for Recreation Commission stated that the scoreboard would be delivered in February. Barnaby will store at his home until spring installation.

David Kimball representing the Royalton Rescue submitted a contract draft for the Select board's approval. Jackie will add to the March 6th agenda for review and approval.

John O'Brien made motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. Mike McPhetres second. So moved.

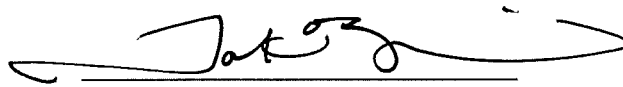
Respectfully Submitted,
Jackie Higgins



Gary Mullen



Mike McPhetres



John O'Brien

**TUNBRIDGE SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2017
6:00 P.M.
TUNBRIDGE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING**

Present: Gary Mullen, John O'Brien, Michael McPhetres, Rodney Hoyt, Becky Hoyt, Betsy Race, David Race, David Kimball, Lynn Tabor, Steve Tabor, Thomas Hoyt and Jackie Higgins

Meeting called to order 6:05 p.m.

Road Foreman Report: Loader repair discussed. Mike McPhetres will call Beauregard again for details on repairs.

New Business:

Road Concern: Lynn and Steve Tabor came in with concerns of winter condition of Monarch Hill Road and Kelsey Mtn. Road. Their daughter is in a wheelchair and the bus company sends a two wheel drive van over to pick her up for school. Lynn Tabor was not happy with the way a road crew member spoke to her when she confronted him about the road condition. Steve Tabor stated that road crew member was being disrespectful to his wife and that was not acceptable. The Tabors advised that roads needs to be kept safe or the town needs to ship the kids on the backside of the mountain to Randolph School like they used to.

Personnel Policy Committee – reviewed potential changes of the personnel policy with the Selectboard. Changes will be made and Selectboard will review for final approval.

Treasurer – Treasurer gave Selectboard Treasurer's report and discussed what money would go into the sweep savings account that had been approved at a previous Selectboard Meeting. Selectboard signed letter approving transfer of funds.

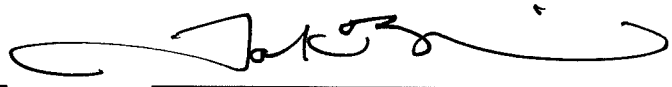
Signed Warrants and Payroll Orders.

John O'Brien made motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Mike McPhetres second. So moved.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Jacqueline Higgins**



Gary Mullen



John O'Brien



Michael McPhetres