

**TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE
SELECTBOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, August 13th, 2019, 6:00pm

Meeting called to order 6:00pm.

Present: Gary Mullen, Mike McPhetres, John O'Brien, Rodney Hoyt, Laura Ginsberg, Jillian Conner

Road Foreman Report

Hoyt began by telling the Board that he has approval from the State to reopen the Flint Bridge tomorrow (8/14), but would like Selectboard approval as well. There are still repairs needed, but it is structurally sound for car traffic for now. All damage was done to the roof of the structure.

McPhetres motioned to reopen the Flint Bridge until further repairs are needed. O'Brien seconded. So moved.

The grader came back from Nortrax, but still can't be used due to the lights being unplugged by the servicers and the tensioner pulley now making a lot of noise. Nortrax service members are coming to the garage to look at the problems this week.

McPhetres motioned to allow the town grader to be used to grade the race track at the fairgrounds for the Tunbridge World's Fair. O'Brien seconded.

The Board asked Hoyt if he could put up a couple "horse crossing" signs on Monarch Hill Road. Hoyt agreed. Lastly, Hoyt wondered if the Board remembered if the speed survey, conducted by the former administrative assistant, was ever formally submitted to the State. The Board couldn't recall, so Conner will look into it.

Laura Ginsberg – Chair of the Planning Commission

Ginsberg, the new chair of the Planning Commission, came to introduce herself to the Board. After leaving Tunbridge for her Master's degree in Montana, studying dairy systems in New Zealand, she is back in Tunbridge with her partner and currently works for the Agency of Agriculture.

Ginsberg is attempting to get the planning commission a bit more organized. The Commission voted to reduce the member numbers to be no less than seven, and a quorum to be no less than three. The commission needs Selectboard approval to have this become official.

O'Brien motioned to have the Planning Commission be made up of no less than seven members, a quorum be made of up no less than three members, and voting to be possible with the majority of members present. In addition, an Ex Officio seat will be created for a Selectboard member to attend. McPhetres seconded. So moved.

The Planning Commission's next task is to revise the town's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Other Business

The following items were signed/approved:

- A catering permit issued to Flag Hill Farm to serve alcohol at the Vermont Sheep and Wool Festival.
- A contract with Hook Construction to complete the grant funded Belknap Brook Rd. Bridge project.
- A resolution to appoint representatives to the ECVTD Board.
- A delegate designation form to send John O'Brien as the delegate from Tunbridge to VLCT's annual business meeting.

The Board asked Conner to ask Kevin Barnaby if he could mow the "Tunbridge Historic District" sign just south of Monarch Hill Rd. on 110.

McPhetres motioned to hire Mike Howe to paint the Town Hall dining room floor. O'Brien seconded.

Orders and warrants signed. Minutes signed.

McPhetres motioned to adjourn at 8:32pm. O'Brien seconded. So moved.

STANDING SELECTBOARD/ COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULE 1st Meeting of the Month:

Cemetery Commission: April and August

Planning Commission: April, August, and November

Trustees of Public Funds: February and June

Recreation Commission: January, April, July and October

Listers: May and November

Auditors: September and November

Library Directors: October

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Gary Mullen, Chair

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Mike McPhetres, Vice Chair

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John O'Brien, Clerk