

**TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE
SELECTBOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, October 8, 2019, 6:00pm

Meeting called to order 6:05pm.

Present: Gary Mullen, Mike McPhetres, John O'Brien, Rodney Hoyt, Betsy Gaiser, Jillian Conner, Brent Lindstrom

Update from Road Foreman

Sand and stone continues to be delivered to the garage for stockpiling. About 1/3 of it has been delivered. The Road Crew patched up a part of Brocklebank Road and they installed a culvert on Dickerman Hill.

A citizen requested that some sort of sign be placed at the beginnings of impassable Class IV roads warning people not to drive further. Hoyt will look into pricing.

Conner asked the Board and Hoyt about the confusion surrounding the acceptance of leaves at the transfer station. The Board asked Conner to look into the new universal recycling law. They would prefer the transfer station not accept leaves unless legally required to.

Conservation Commission Discussion

Betsy Gaiser, new Chair of the Conservation Commission (CC) came to update the Board on the reboot of the commission. Gaiser requested that Ellen Hosford and Eliza Minucci be appointed to Conservation Commission. Both are interested in trail creation.

McPhetres motioned to appoint Hosford and Minucci to the Conservation Commission. O'Brien seconded. So moved.

The most recent CC meeting took place on September 30th, and the next is schedule for 10/21. They plan to begin meeting every third Monday at the Library. Gaiser has spoken to Becky Hoyt, Treasurer, about creating a commission fund for the CC.

Gaiser also asked about the status of the fire cleanup on Gage Road. None of the Board members or town officials have heard anything about it. She also floated the idea of creating a Welcome Committee to welcome new community members. The Board agreed that would be a nice idea.

New Business

Brent Lindstrom, citizen, joined the meeting to make a few suggestions on road maintenance. He suggested the town use a vibratory roller to pack down freshly laid hardpack. He suggested the town source gravel from a different quarry. He also suggested that a mirror be placed at the intersection of Strafford Rd. and Route 110 to prevent collisions. The Board asked Conner to look into getting one installed.

Lindstrom also told the Board that we will no longer allow the health officer or state officials onto his property due to complaints from fellow citizens.

Conner informed the Board about some of the things she learned at the VLCT Town Fair training sessions the previous week. Topics included the open meeting law, public records, conflict of interest, and ordinance enforcement.

She also reminded the Board about the need for at least one Constable. The members had a number of potential candidates they had thought of. They will contact each of their suggestions. Conner will contact the IBP to see if they have any suggestions.

Conner also let the Board know that the Health Officer's, Betsy Race, term was expiring at the end of November, and she expressed interest in not continuing her duties. The Board asked Conner to invite Race to the next meeting to discuss.

Orders and warrants signed. Minutes signed.

McPhetres motioned to adjourn at 8:45pm. 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