

**TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE
SELECTBOARD MEETING**

Tuesday, February 11th, 2020, 6:00 pm

Meeting called to order 6:03 pm

Present: Gary Mullen, Mike McPhetres, John O'Brien, Rodney Hoyt, Jillian Conner, Mike Barnaby, Judy Howe

Road Foreman Report

One of the trucks is headed to Freightliner to have its heater fixed. Hoyt suspects some wiring is grounding out under the dash board. Hoyt predicts that we have enough sand to get us through the winter. New front tires for the tractor have been ordered from Farm All Fix. Conner did some research into the plowing of “private” driveways. She confirmed that 10 of the 11 driveways that are plowed by the Town are technically Class 3 roads and show up on the official Vermont Agency of Transportation map issued by the state. According to statute, Class 3 roads must be maintained by the Town in normal conditions and in the winter. The Board may move to stop plowing a road if it is deemed unsafe to do so, but only after notice and a hearing. The Selectboard asked Conner to continue searching for any records of when these short roads were established and the agreements to plow that were made with them.

Conner also informed the Board and Foreman that part of FEMA’s reimbursement for the April 2019 Rain Event has been confirmed: about \$21,000 will be given to the town to cover repairs to damage sustained on Belknap Hill Rd.

Transfer Station Attendant

Mike Barnaby joined the meeting to discuss his interest in taking over the role of Transfer Station Attendant position. He has filled in for the past two weekends and is happy to continue doing the job. He confirmed that he will be available for the summer Wednesday hours. The Board asked if he could take over responsibility for calling Casella to empty the containers when necessary, he agreed.

McPhetres made a motion to hire Barnaby at a starting pay of \$15.00/hour, with a review to happen in 90 days. O’Brien seconded. All in favor, so moved.

Other Business

Jude Howe, manager of the Town Hall, came to ask the Board if she could make a minor change to the Town Hall Rental Contract. She asked that instead of renters sending their proof of insurance to the Town Office, if they could send to her address instead. The Board agreed that was a good idea. Howe will file all contracts and proof of insurance with the Town Clerk after each event is over.

The Board approved two permits requested from WEC to install a power line and maintain it into the future. The Board also signed the Certificate of No Suits or Appeals Pending for the 2019 Grand List.

Orders, warrants and minutes signed.

McPhetres motioned to adjourn at 8:40 pm. 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

/s/ _____

Mike McPhetres, Vice Chair

/s/ _____

John O'Brien, Clerk