

**TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE
SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 28th, 2020, 6:00PM
via Zoom**

**Present: Gary Mullen, Mike McPhetres, John O'Brien, Brenda Field, Betsy Race, Jillian Conner,
Christina Grundwaldt, Richard Barnaby, Paul Grundwaldt**

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm

Road Update

The 10-wheeler needs a new fuel tank, which will cost \$800. The crew plans to start 10 hour days in the next couple weeks. Hoyt went to inspect sand from Pompy Gravel and Sand, and was pleased with the quality. The cost to purchase from there will cost \$15.60 as of today. But Hoyt has also spoken to Pickett's and would be happy to purchase from them again too. McPhetres thinks the town should stick with Pickett's for this year to keep costs down. O'Brien and Mullen agreed. McPhetres said he would give Pickett's a call to get an idea of how much sand they have available.

The roads are continuing to be graded when the weather is good. They test drove a John Deere grader today, and will be test driving a CAT next week. Hoyt wonders if the town should consider leasing a grader for 5 years, given the unknown financial circumstances the town may face. It would cost about \$30,000/yr and be a lease to own agreement. O'Brien asked what exactly is wrong with our current grader. McPhetres responded that it's just getting to an expensive point in its life where we would need to start putting a lot of money into it to keep it going. It's 15 years old.

Christina Grundwaldt of 24 Mary White Road, joined the meeting to ask the Town to repair the end of her driveway. The Town trucks use their driveway as a turn around during plow and mud season. Hoyt agreed that the Town should replace the culvert. The Board agreed as well.

Health Officer - Betsy Race

Race joined the meeting to explain a recent issue at 73 Clarksville Road she is working on and to ask that a health order be signed by the Board. The health order states that the dwelling located at this address can not be rented because there is not water, electric or heat.

McPhetres made a motion that the Board sign the health order. O'Brien seconded. All in favor.

Race also informed the Board that she is inspecting a property on Spring Road.

Emergency Management Director - Brenda Field

Field didn't have any new information pertaining to the actual virus, but did bring up the fact that town officials should be thinking about reopening the town office and how to do it safely. Field also asked how the Town intends to continue selling dump tickets if Jola no longer wants to sell them on Saturday mornings at the transfer station. Discussion ensued but no decision was made.

Other Business

Judy Howe asked Conner to ask for the Board's verbal approval to ask the few May renters of the Town Hall to cancel their events. The Board agreed she should do that.

The Board agreed that the Memorial Day Parade should be cancelled, but encouraged it to be postponed until a safer time.

McPhetres made a motion to accept the orders and warrants. O'Brien seconded.

O'Brien made a motion to approve the minutes, pending a few changes to be made by Conner. McPhetres seconded.

Richard Barnaby of Spring Road, called in to fill the Board in on a few complaints and problems he has been having with a neighbor of his. The Board encouraged him to continue contacting the State for the problems described, and perhaps ask his other neighbors to join in asking the appropriate officials for help.

O'Brien motioned to adjourn at 7:50pm. McPhetres seconded. All in favor.

/s/ _____
Gary Mullen

/s/ _____
Michael McPhetres

/s/ _____
John O'Brien