

**TOWN OF TUNBRIDGE  
SELECTBOARD MEETING**

**Monday, November 7, 2022 6:00pm, Town Offices and Via Zoom**

Meeting called to order at 6:10pm

**Present:** Mariah Cilley, Mariah Lawrence, Kathy Galluzzo, Mike McPhetres, John O'Brien, Todd Tyson, Rachel Cohn, Janet Zug, Gary Mullen, Michael Sacca

**Road Report**

No road report to discuss. Rodney Hoyt stated everything is going smoothly. Mariah Cilley will figure out what the quote for the covered bridge that was given to the Selectboard was for.

**Recreation Recap: Kathy Galluzzo**

A Recreation Tournament for the boy who passed away in a four wheeler accident in Randolph was just held. They raised \$1800 to go towards his headstone. Tournament this weekend for the food shelf. Most of the money that is raised goes towards some sort of community-based fund. Most of the money that the recreation department makes currently is off the food sales. Discussion of lights at the recreation field. Maryann Caron, our grants manager is helping the department look for grants. Recreation is discussing purchasing the property across the river and placing another ball field there. Camping happened twice. People stayed from far away the first time and the second was for A/C for kids during the day, they did not spend the night. Insurance question regarding camping to be looked into by Cilley and Galluzzo. Breakfast will start again in December. All the profit will go to the Food Shelf. The pool will be worked on more next year.

**Town Hall Soundproofing and Lighting: Janet Zug**

Zug has found out that it doesn't matter if the electrician and sound proofing work is done at the same time or not. Haven't been able to nail down the electrician on timing. The work for the soundproofing can be done between November 18-20 or the first week of December. Both dates are available at the Town Hall. The total cost is \$4818 and 25% deposit is due now and the rest upon completion. O'Brien moves to have the soundproofing completed. McPhetres seconds. All aye. So moved.

**Library Happenings: Mariah Lawrence**

Grant updates. Lawrence applied for a \$5000 grant to fund the afterschool program in the spring. Currently it is funded by the library and One Planet. Currently the middle school one is only funded by the library. 72 new patrons this year. Five years prior to COVID the full calendar year new patrons was only 40-50. Sustainability grant for weatherizing or programming. The Library used their ARPA money on collection development, printer and Spanish books. Partnering with OCPCC to hold their playgroup at the library. Lawrence went to a conference held by the New England Library Association on a grant. Strategic planning committee will find out what will make the library successful, what currently makes the library successful, outreach portion and writing of a strategic plan. This would be 5-7 years for a plan and creating a vision and a mission

and smaller objectives which would determine the programming and direction that we would put energy into. Would like to begin in January. Selectboard will decide by next meeting if one wants to be on the committee.

**The Ranger: Rachel Cohen**

Recap of last years event. Impact from the event was about 500 riders. Approved for 600. Silent auction and a 5k were added. \$10,000 was given back to the community. This year they will work harder to get more people that are local to sign up earlier and open up a locals registration. 600 riders total this year is their ask. They had a productive debrief with Jen Hayslett. Next year they will work harder on notifying more folks in town using listserv, Front Porch Forum etc. Will use mail carriers as well to notify locals. Local folks would like more Ranger people out on the road to let people know there are riders out on the road. Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 will be the ride. Selectboard said they heard nothing but good things about the Ranger this past year.

**Other Business:**

Todd Tyson- Legal Trails update. December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022 hearing in Chelsea about the lawsuit. Monday, 10:30am. Question/concern: Once there is a ruling from the judge if there will be another change of use policy on the trails. The Selectboard will determine what they will decide to do once they hear how the hearing goes.

**Warrants:** Warrants were signed and approved.

Minutes from were moved to the following meeting.

O'Brien motions to adjourn. McPhetres seconds. So moved.

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Gary Mullen, Chair

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Mike McPhetres, Vice Chair

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John O'Brien, Clerk