

**Town of Orange  
Selectboard Minutes  
August 14, 2017 6:00 p.m.**

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**Members Present: George Wild, Jr., Eric Holmgren, Lee Youngman**

**Others Present: Kathie Felch, Troy Sanborn, Amy White, Laura Ranker**

**Eric called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.**

**1. Approve Minutes of July 10, 2017**

**On a motion by George seconded by Lee the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of July 10, 2017.**

**2. Agenda Revisions if any – Kathie asked if we could also discuss Atherton Road.**

**3. People’s United Bank to discuss Cemetery Investment Accounts – 6:00 p.m.**

**Troy from People’s Bank discussed the current investments we have with Wells Fargo. The Selectboard feels that we are paying too much in maintenance fees to Wells Fargo. Troy explained that the town would have very similar return on the investments if we switch to People’s and would have a savings of approximately \$400.00 per year. Kathie will look into whether the Town would have to pay capital gains if we moved the money and if we did how long would it take to recoup fees for moving the investment funds. The board will decide by the next meeting if it will be in the best interest for the town.**

**4. Laura Ranker from CVRPC to discuss updates to the Hazard Mitigation Plan – 7:00 p.m.**

**Laura told the board that the Planning Commission has been working on the hazard mitigation plan for about a year. Laura reviewed the changes since 2012 the board made 2 corrections to the changes made. George stated that the town wants to upgrade a culvert on Spencer Road and to do some proactive work on Provencher Road and to build up a low-lying area on Reservoir Road to help prevent future flood damages. Laura will update the plan to reflect the 2 changes and send to the state.**

**5. Discuss flooding event of July 1<sup>st</sup> and costs to date**

**Kathie reported estimated damages as of August 4<sup>th</sup> was already at \$42,000.00 so we hope that Orange County is declared a disaster by FEMA so we can get at least 75% of the money back.**

**6. Discuss Provencher Road ditch work and culvert repair**

**The board discussed upgrading the culvert on Provencher Road and to do some stone line ditch work to prevent future erosion. We are hoping to get some type of mitigation funds in order to do this work.**

**Kathie reported that there were several complaints about the condition of Atherton Road. The town does not maintain class 4 roads but will take a look at the conditions of the culverts and possible bring in some material to make it passable. George will talk with Mike from the CV ATV Club and see if they will assist as it is one of their riding trails as well.**

**7. Review 2017 Budget – Equipment Repairs close to being over budget**

**The board reviewed the budgets. The GF is close to being over for Fires and the HF equipment repair budget only has about \$5,000.00.**

**8. Discuss MSHA check up**

**MSHA made a surprise visit last week and all was well with the equipment and pit. The paperwork was inspected as well at the office and they were happy with what we were doing.**

**9. Consider authorizing the Treasurer to close several small bank accounts**

**Kathie asked the board to close several small bank accounts and put the funds for each account into the money market account and turn them into committed funds. It will be easier now that the new bookkeeping program is in place. The auditors will then only have 2 bank accounts to reconcile.**

**On a motion by Lee seconded by George the board voted unanimously to authorize the Treasurer to close the small bank accounts and put them in the money market account and treat them as committed funds.**

**10. Approve Payroll & Accounts Payable warrants**

**The board reviewed and signed the AP and Payroll warrants.**

**11. Other Business:**

**Sign Fleet Permits**

**Sign Fireworks permit**

**The board reviewed and approved the fleet and fireworks permits.**

**12. Next Meeting – September 11, 2017 6:00 p.m.**

**13. Adjourn**

**On a motion by Lee seconded by George the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m.**