

**Town of Orange  
Selectboard Minutes  
September 11, 2017 6:00 p.m.**

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

**Others Present: Kathie Felch, Steve Simpson, Scott Culver, Roger Dickinson, Dan Currier, Lee Cattaneo, Ken Fritjofson and Jim Donovan**

- 1. Approve Minutes of August 14, 2017**  
On a motion by Lee seconded by George the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 14, 2017.
- 2. Agenda Revisions if any**  
At the end of the meeting Kathie wants to discuss a hall rental request, Salt Bids and a request from a resident on Cutler Corner Road regarding their driveway.
- 3. Steve Simpson to discuss ballfield upgrades – 6:00 p.m.**  
Steve and Scott talked with the board about doing upgrades to the ball field and possible expanding it a little further to incorporate a soccer field so the kids in the area will have another field for use in the community. There will be no expense to the town the baseball league will donate and absorb all costs. George said he was for it but they would have to address the parking issue as no one can park along the roadway. The board felt overall that it would be a nice improvement and asked Steve and Scott to give them a sketch of what they would like to do and they could not add any structures. After we get the sketch and a list of things they would like to do Kathie will ask the state if they are okay with that. Eric stated we should have another meeting and involve the Recreation Committee as well.
- 4. Reservoir Road public work session – 6:15 p.m.**  
Jim Donovan gave a presentation of the different options for the intersection at Lord's Road. George stated he would like to have some trees cut that shade the roadway to help with icing on that section of road. Ken said he was very cautious when turning in and out of Lord's Road he has seen many people off on that corner. Kathie stated that we would likely be doing a land swap with Barre City to accomplish this. We are scheduled to meet again for further discussion on October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- 5. Consider approving a junkyard Permit for Wally Renfrew**  
On a motion by George seconded by Lee the board voted unanimously to approve a 1-year junkyard permit for Wally Renfrew.
- 6. Consider authorizing the Treasurer to borrow \$25,000.00 to purchase a 1997 John Deere backhoe and if authorized the board will sign the Capital Equipment and pay back in 1 year.**  
On a motion by Lee seconded by George the board voted unanimously to authorize the Treasurer to borrow the money and pay for the balance of \$10,000.00 for the backhoe from the Equipment Savings Account.
- 7. Consider authorizing the Treasurer to move the Cemetery Investment Funds from Wells Fargo to People's Securities.**  
On a motion by Lee and seconded by George the board voted unanimously to authorize the Treasurer to move the Cemetery Investment Funds to People's Securities.
- 8. Approve Payroll & Accounts Payable warrants**  
The board reviewed and approved the Payroll and Accounts Payable warrants.

**9. Review 2017 Budget**

The board reviewed the 2017 budget. Next month we will start talking about the 2018 budget. George stated that the ne backhoe needs a twister wrist but we will be able to the sell the excavator to purchase it.

**Agenda revisions**

There was a request that the need for a uniformed officer be waved for a party in October as a State Police Officer will be the host and will monitor the guests. The board had no objection as long as the officer was volunteering his time, not drinking and was in uniform.

A resident on Cutler Corner has requested that the town give him a load of material for his driveway. The road has been built up so now doesn't meet the driveway. The board stated that driveways are the responsibility of the home owners so they did not approve.

Kathie got the salt prices and American Rock Salt was the least expensive at \$68.50 per ton. She didn't have the paperwork that the Chair needs to sign yet. On a motion by George seconded by Lee the board voted unanimously to authorize the chair to sign the agreement with ARS when it comes in and reserve 250 tons for 2018.

**10. Other Business:**

Next Meeting – October 9, 2017 6:00 p.m.

**11. Adjourn**

On a motion by George seconded by Lee the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:18 p.m.