

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 12, 2022 6:00 p.m. Orange Town Hall

Selectboard Present:

Emily Ruff-Selectboard Chair, Samantha Lefebvre-Selectboard Vice-Chair, and Sheila Stone-Selectboard Member.

Others Present:

John Barnes-Road Foreman, Angela Eastman-Town Clerk, Tim Stone-Resident, Paul Knapp Jr.-Resident, Alexia Voitle-Resident, Ambir Moote-Resident, Keating Coniff, Michele Boyer-Resident, Tyson Chouinard-Pike Industries and Kevin Wilson-Resident.

Absent for meeting:

Lee Youngman-Treasurer

Call meeting to order:

At 6:04pm Selectboard Chair, Emily Ruff, called the meeting to order and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consider approving agenda/agenda revisions:

No new agenda items noted and no agenda revisions.

Consider approving minutes:

The selectboard minutes dated 08/08/2022 were reviewed. Ms. Ruff made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted and Mrs. Stone seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

The selectboard minutes dated 08/22/2022 were reviewed. Ms. Ruff made a motion to approve the minutes with edits noted by Ms. Ruff, Mrs. Lefebvre seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

The selectboard minutes dated 08/24/2022 were reviewed. Ms. Ruff made a motion to approve the minutes as drafted and Mrs. Lefebvre seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Guest Speakers/Public Comment:

Mr. Paul Knapp presented to the Selectboard with an ongoing complaint regarding beavers on his property. Mr. Rock was not present for the public comment time and Mrs. Eastman updated the board on what she was aware of was going on Mr. Rock's property. Ms. Alexia Voitle was bringing a complaint about Town Animal Control Officer.

Town Treasurer Report:

Approve warrants-Payroll and Accounts Payable:

Town Clerk, Mrs. Eastman, in the absence of the Town Treasurer, presented the Selectboard with the payroll warrants and the accounts payable warrants for review. On a motion made by Ms. Ruff and seconded by Mrs. Lefebvre, all warrants were approved. The motion passed 3-0.

Review Current Budget:

Mrs. Eastman, in the absence of the Town Treasurer presented the Selectboard with a budget review. This was reviewed by the Selectboard. On a motion made by Ms. Ruff and seconded by Mrs. Lefebvre, it was authorized

to go over budget on postage and ballot clerk salaries. The motion passed 3-0.

Approve Journal Entries for August 2022:

The journal entries for August were reviewed. On a motion made by Ms. Ruff and seconded by Mrs. Lefebvre, the August journal entries were approved. The motion passed 3-0.

Town Clerk Report:

Ms. Eastman gave a report that included notification regarding an upcoming meeting with the new solar project manager for Lowery Rd solar project and the surrounding towns. The date of this meeting will be determined and will take place in Barre Town. Mr. Carl Rogers, Barre Town Manager, will get back to Mrs. Eastman with a date and time. Mrs. Eastman also talked about upcoming COTTS training, E911 board appointment, grant for tires (see motion below), Davenport Funeral and upcoming office closures due to VMCTA conference on 9/21 and 9/22.

Road Foreman Report:

Mr. Barnes reported that they have finished up the work on Lord's RD and have begun work on Warsley Rd. The crushing has begun in the Town Pit and the material is coming out good.

Old Business:

Discuss Pike Industries and Tucker Rd

This was discussed by the Selectboard and Mr. Tyson Chouinard from Pike Industries. On a motion made by Ms. Ruff and seconded by Mrs. Lefebvre, the discussion regarding Pike Industries work on Tucker Rd was tabled until September 19 2022 meeting. The motion passed 3-0.

Discuss upcoming bicycle race in town-*The Grindstone*

Mrs. Eastman informed the Selectboard about the upcoming dirt gravel race and stated that this was for informational purposes only and no action was needed.

Discuss Town Office Complex repairs estimates and RFP's

This was briefly discussed amongst the members and was tabled until the September 26th meeting.

Discuss and choose date for Emergency Management Training

Mrs. Eastman advised that she had received an email from Mr. Harry Schoppmann, VEM with possible dates for LEMP training. These dates were discussed with the Selectboard and it was decided that Wednesday November 30, 2022 at 5:30pm would be an ideal date and time. Mrs. Eastman will let Mr. Schoppmann and Mr. Holmgren, EMD know of date and time.

Discuss IT needs for the town and RFP for services

This was discussed amongst the Selectboard and will be tabled until September 26, 2022.

New Business:

Discuss upcoming Grant for Tire Disposal

This was discussed in the Town Clerk report. On a motion made by Mrs. Lefebvre and seconded by Ms. Ruff, the CVSWMD Grant for Special Collection was approved for tires. The motion passed 3-0.

Discuss Agenda and Minutes

This was discussed by Ms. Ruff to determine best method for reaching deadlines. This was discussed amongst the Selectboard and Mrs. Eastman.

Review/Sign Town of Washington Fire Department retainer contract and review recent bills for accident response

This was discussed amongst the Selectboard members and on a motion made by Mrs. Lefebvre and seconded by Ms. Ruff, the Washington Fire Department Retainer discussion will be tabled until the September 19th meeting. The motion passed 3-0.

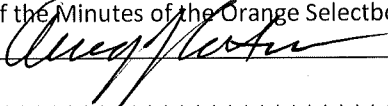
Other Business:

Ms. Boyer, Town ACO, gave a brief Animal Control Report.

Adjournment:

On a motion made by Ms. Ruff and seconded by Mrs. Lefebvre, the Selectboard adjourned at 8:37pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Angela Eastman, Town Clerk

The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the Orange Selectboard Meeting.
A True Record. Attest, , Town Clerk
