



Office of Board of Selectmen Town of Mason

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Selectmen Meeting 6/28/2022
Approved Minutes

Present: Selectmen Kate Batcheller, John Suiter; Admin Asst Jen Tenney, Accountant Brenda Wiley, Groundskeeper Wally Brown, Roy Lundstedt, Barbara DeVore, Curt Spacht

Absent: Selectmen Charlie Moser

Called to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:41pm by Chair Kate Batcheller, attendance was taken by roll call as reflected above.

Approvals:

- Noted that the accounts payable and payroll manifests had been reviewed and approved prior to the meeting.
- Minutes of 6/14/2022 BOS / PD meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, John-aye.
- Minutes of 6/14/2022 BOS meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, John-aye.
- Minutes of 6/24/2022 BOS meeting - Kate motioned to approve as written, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, John-aye.

New Business:

- Budget Reviewed – 6 month budget overview to be done at the next meeting.
- Barbara DeVore on behalf of the Town Hall Renovation Committee is requesting to use the town common on the 3rd weekend of September for 1-2 days to put together a town wide yard sale. All checks and applications will be sent to the Mann House. Jen to notify Barbara when checks and/or applications are in.
- Barbara DeVore complimented Chief Burns demeanor and how he handled concern from the Conservation Commission regarding the removal of beaver dams on Merriam Hill Rd with the State of NH Department of Transportation.
- Groundskeeper Wally informed Selectmen the engine of the mower needs repairing. The mower is roughly 15 years old and was purchased for around \$6800. Repairing the engine would cost ~\$5300. Selectmen asked Wally to look into the cost of purchasing a new zero-turn commercial mower. Brenda will look into if any funding can come from the Cemetery funding since the mower will be used there as well.
- Wally was complimented on his job with the gazebo repair.
- Wally was asked if he had any concerns regarding his budget, none were discussed.

- Wally informed Selectmen some pending projects for this year is replacing some siding on the schoolhouse, Mann House and Town Hall along with some painting.
- Chief Maxwell requested 6 hours of quarry detail work be funded by the Revolving Police Detail Fund so patrol can be increased over the July 4th weekend. Selectmen are in agreement with this.

Old Business:

- Jeds Lane Temporary Easement – one abutter has signed; one abutter has expressed questions and concerns. Selectmen will seek input from town council to address concerns.
- L-45 discussion will be continued at a later date.

Public Comment:

- Curt Spacht on behalf of Mason Energy Commission informs Selectmen they are waiting on donated time from the electrician to install the energy monitoring equipment at the fire station.
- Curt also explains the Mason Energy Commission are searching for grants to help residents weatherize their homes.
- The Mason Energy Commission tab of the town website was discussed with Curt. Previously the Energy Commission did not have much information on the town website and created their own website separate from the town. Curt will discuss with the Energy Commission if they would like any links on the town website to help residents find their website.

Non Public:

* Motion to enter Non-public session made by Kate, seconded by John by reason of:

- RSA 91-A:3, II (c) *Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board, unless such person requests an open meeting. This exemption shall extend to include any application for assistance or tax abatement or waiver of a fee, fine or other levy, if based on inability to pay or poverty of the applicant.*

Roll call vote to enter non-public session – Kate-aye, John-aye. Entered non-public session at 8:22pm.

Motion to return to public session made by Kate, second from John; returned at 8:58pm. Motion from Kate, seconded by John, to seal the minutes because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would

- affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board.

Roll call vote to seal the minutes Kate-aye, John-aye.

Adjournment: There being no further business, Kate motioned to adjourn, second from John. Roll call vote Kate-aye, John-aye. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Tenney

BOS Administrative Assistant