

Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting
Friday, April 29, 2016

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Austin, Jack Zeller, Clayton Stalker

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:30am by Chairman Austin.
2. Approval of Minutes: April 7, 2016. A motion was made by Russ Austin, second by Jack Zeller to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0.
3. Opening of Highway Truck Equipment bids: two bids were received.

Name	Bid Amount
Tenco, Barre, VT	\$64,984
HP Fairfield, Pembroke, NH	\$85,595

The bids will be given to Road Agent, Gary Hudson, to review for accuracy to specifications. A decision will be made by the Selectmen at their May 5th meeting.

4. Guests: None
5. Accounts Payable: A motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Jack Zeller to approve manifests of \$8,322.73 for the Highway Department and \$17,010.88 for all other bills for a total of \$25,333.61. Motion passed 3-0.
6. Old Business:
 - A. Cheshire County request for Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots: Nothing to report
 - B. Town Hall Survey: A draft plan was presented for review by the Selectmen prior to finalization of the survey.
 - C. Popruk Road cars: Nothing to report on cars. Bernie Gaudreau has started cleaning up trash under the car ports.
 - D. A Letter of Deficiency was received on work done by the highway crew near the site of the brook on 487 Spofford Road. The Town has retained the services of SVE Associates to do a restoration plan of the area.

7. New Business:

Signature Approval was given for the following:

- Timber Tax Warrant: R7-3, R12-100, U2-6, R19-6
- MS-232 – 2016 Appropriations Actually Voted
- Petition & Pole License: Eversource Energy/Fairpoint
- Forest Fire Report/Bill: April 18 and April 19 and April 25
- July 1, 2016 Medical & Dental Insurance Renewals
- Emergency Operation Plan annual review

- A. Master Plan: The Selectmen will review the recently approved Master Plan for possible adoption at their next meeting on May 5th.

- B. LCHIP Grant: The NH Land and Community Heritage Investment Program has a program for matching grants that can include historic or natural resources projects. The selectmen will look into this for restoration of and access to the upstairs of the town hall.
 - C. The Feasibility Study voted on a town meeting will be discussed at the May 5th meeting.
8. Patricia Rodrigues stated that she had sent an e-mail to the Selectmen prior to her coming to the meeting and could not get her printer to work, so requested that the e-mail be printed now. The 7-page e-mail was printed and given to the Selectmen. Jack Zeller stated that because of the length of the document and to be able to respond to her properly, that the Selectmen would review it and discuss it at their meeting next week on May 5th. Ms. Rodrigues stated adamantly that it should be read now as it was time sensitive and was being sent to many other people also. Clayton Stalker added that it would be a disservice to her to not take the time to review everything and Russ Austin stated that it would be put on the May 5th agenda.
9. Correspondence:
- A. A complaint was received by phone from ‘Jay’ that Thompson Road needed to be graded. The highway department is currently grading roads and should be in East Westmoreland next week.
 - B. Jesse Ross & Amy Jeffrey sent an e-mail stating that they had filled in the ditch on Old County Road and reopened the turn-around for the town trucks.
 - C. Bob Bartlett sent a letter commending the Fire Department for their actions at the house fire on April 21st.
10. Ms. Rodrigues stated that her letter was more important than what was just discussed and in the time it took to discuss the Correspondence, the Selectmen could have read it.
11. The Selectmen adjourned the meeting at 10:37am.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre
Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Russ Austin, Chairman

Jack Zeller

Clayton R. Stalker

NEXT MEETING – Thursday, May 5, 2016 6:00PM
MINUTES ARE INITIALLY POSTED AS UNAPPROVED
SIGNATURES BY SELECTMEN DENOTE APPROVAL OF
MINUTES