

Minutes
SELECTBOARD, TOWN OF PAWLET
March 27, 2018
7:00 pm at Pawlet Town Hall
Regular Meeting

Members in Attendance:

Mike Beecher
John Malcolm
Bob Jones
Ed Cleveland
Chuck Weeden

Others in Attendance:

Timothy Hughes-Muse
Frank Nelson
Keith Mason
Ariella Zarfati-Eiremann
Judy Eiremann
Janet Baierlein
Eric Mach

EVENT

1. Call to order at 7:04 pm
2. Addition or Deletion of Agenda Items
 - a. Additions: New Business-
 - b. Old Business-None.
 - c. Deletions: None
3. Introduction of those present by chairperson
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - a. Motion to accept the Minutes with edits of March 13, 2018.
Discussion: No changes and therefore the minutes are approved.
5. Appearances by local citizens and visitors.
 - a. Frank Nelson briefed the board on the meeting of the Pawlet Planning Commission. Mr. Nelson stated that Kitt Shaw and Hillary Solomon are interested in meeting with the selectboard regarding phosphorus loading regulations. The selectboard is interested in learning more from Mr. Shaw and Ms. Solomon.
 - b. Additionally, Mr. Nelson discussed the state of renewable energy in Vermont and how utilities are managing the state-wide solar expansion.
 - c. Frank Nelson also presented the website: SSIRstories.net. Mr. Nelson also talked to two pharmacists and one police officer who commented on the erratic and bizarre behavior.

- d. Judy Eiremann came to discuss the naming of Walnut Drive. Ms. Eiremann is requesting the drive be renamed Owl Hill Rd. Mr. Beecher explained the board's decision-making process regarding the naming of Walnut Drive and that the board will not reconsider the decision.

6. Announcements- none

7. Reports:

- a. Zoning Administrator's Report- nothing to report
- b. Road Foreman's Report- The board and the road foreman discussed the summer work season. The Rupert Hill Rd Project will happen first. The culverts on Herrick Brook Road will be later in the summer. Extending Weatherby Lane was also discussed. Mr. Mason also discussed the possibility of a bat study in order to do the culverts on Herrick Brook Rd. The last project would be the culvert near the Catholic church on Rte 153 in West Pawlet. The board also discussed the roadside mowing contract.
- c. Listers' Report-
- d. Emergency Management Director's Report- None
- e. Public Safety Officer's Report- None
- f. Town Clerk's Memo - The board reviewed the Town Clerk's Memo.
 - a. Mr. Jones signed three overweight permits.
- g. Town Treasurer's Memo
 - a. The board reviewed the Treasurer's memo.
 - b. Review of bills and signing of selectboard's orders
 - Motion to approve the warrants
 - Result: Approved [Unanimous]
 - Mover: Mr. Cleveland
 - Second: Mr. Malcolm
 - Discussion: None
- h. WWTF- The number 2 RBC is back online. Mr. Beecher briefed the board on the reimbursement status from Kee Process and the procedures for growing bacteria on the media.

8. Old or unfinished business

- a. Library Project- Ralph Nimitz applied and received a variance for a lift, rather than an elevator. There has been discussion about continued use of the basement room and the need for an accessible bathroom.
- b. Assessor Position- Mr. Malcolm briefed the board regarding his research on assessor.
- c. Mr. Beecher discussed issues regarding the right-of-way on the West Pawlet slag pile that was recently put out to bid. Mr. Beecher stated that the current rights of the owner of the slag pile impinges on the use and suitability of the property owned by Mr. Beecher.

- d. Motion to enter executive session to discuss for the employment of a public officer or employee 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3) the hiring of the administrative assistant.

Mover: Mr. Jones

Second; Mr. Cleveland

Result: Approved (Unanimous)

Exited executive session with no decisions made.

Motion to offer the position of administrative assistant to Kristin Powers.

Mover: Mr. Jones

Second: Mr. Weeden

Result: Approved [Unanimous]

Discussion: None

9. New Business-

10. Motion made to Adjourn at 9:12pm

Result: Approved [Unanimous]

Mover: Mr. Jones

Second: Mr. Cleveland

Discussion: None