

Selectmen's Meeting
Stoddard Town Hall – 7PM
October 25, 2021

MINUTES

Attendees included: Robert Fee – Chairman, Christopher Madden – Selectmen, Stephen McGerty – Selectmen, Michelle Pong – Town Administrator, Harry Power – Compliance Officer, David Vaillencourt – Road Agent and Vickie Williams – Secretary.

Guests included: Noreen & Ray Durand, Joe Traniello, R. Nicolett, Bob Maden and Jerry Bernier.

Appointments:

Harry Power – Compliance Officer

102-80 – Jeffrey & Kristen Cassetta – East Shore Drive – building (not a home) put up with no permit. Sent in \$400.00, double the fine. Money was collected.

New Permit Signed & Approved.

422-19 – Daniel & Kim Shawver – 980 Route 9. Had ZBA approval for 2 dwellings. There was someone residing also in the foundation of the house with mold. Was visited by the Health Inspector and James Coffee, was told they had to vacate.

124-04 David & Sandi Sulkowski – a complaint was filed that they were working on Shoreland with no permit from NHDES. Harry submitted pictures. They will have to obtain a permit from NHDES to continue.

126-41 Chris & Jennifer Hahn – Shedd Hill Road. Harry went out and took pictures and measurements of the pier and submitted them to the ZBA.

126-55 – Busto Property – The Septic Designer & NHDES are working together to get approval for the septic. Still needs Approval for Construction.

David Vaillencourt – Road Agent

The Board has received several complaints on the tarring and line work completed on Shedd Hill Road. Why was only one side paved? Why was the Line so crooked? Why was the bridge not paved on King's Highway and why are the transitions bumpy?

Dave replied that the bridge is cement and the tar would not stick to the cement, would have taken a different kind of tar to pave the bridge. The pavement done on Shedd Hill Road was only to be a shim coating to fill the deeper ruts on the road. To get better lines would have to be done with a laser truck.

The Board recommends moving forward with more concrete plans on exactly what is being done to keep the town people more informed and more transparency on the road projects being done in town.

Vegetation: Trees encasing road during storms. Has plans to start the cutbacks on the trees next week. All roads are mowed.

Culverts: Do we have a yearly plan. There is 8,000.00 in the budget for culverts. There has been a lot of rain and runoff this year. Did replacement work on Bailey Brook Road. Can we have a plan in place on what culverts need work so we can have the money budgeted for this. The Town will have money coming in through a grant to work on culverts in town.

To be Signed & Approved:

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes of 9/27/2021
3. Permission to use Town Hall
4. MS-1 2021
5. Letter to Sams (notary needed – Bob fee signature only)

All Signed & Approved

Public Comment (Agenda Only):

None

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Girl Scouts – Rental fee for the Town Hall.

Bob motioned to waive the rental fee, but keep the deposit. Stephen Seconded. Motion Carried.

BTLA Utilities Case – Action needed

Was an appeal on the taxes. Was settled late last year. The Utility Company is appealing the year of 2014 decision. We owe \$11,584.00 with interest. Want to make sure the Lawyer says that this is ok to pay. We should offer to pay the \$8,239.00 owed, see if they will waive the interest.

Bob motioned to table til next meeting with more information. Chris Seconded. Motion Carried.

Transfer Station Heater

Quote to install heater is \$1,395.00 and could be more if parts are not on site. Can a electrical heater be used instead. Need to find out the ampage of the heater, and socket ampage and can it be used. Is an extension cord needed.

Bob motioned for electrical heater to be used. Chris Seconded. Motion Carried.

ARAP Funds

Need to schedule a hearing for unanticipated funds to get the public opinion of how money should be spent. Getting a grant over 2 years from County distributing to Towns. Schedule for the first meeting in December 6, 2021. Where to use the funds – examples culverts, repair on the Granite Lake Dam for water control only.

Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items)

Gerry Bernier

House next to the Town Store on Route 123. The occupants have been there for over 2 years, the vehicles are registered in Mass. They also have 4/5 children going to school in Stoddard School system. Are they residents of Mass or NH? This issue was brought to the Police. He was told they are Mass residents. Why are the kids in are school system if they are residents of Mass?

Michelle will contact the Municipal Board. Bob will talk to the School Board.

Chris – Question on whether Protection Road is private or town owned? Complaints of threatening people and closing the road completely. Will look into whether the town owns the road or not.

Stephen – Fire Dept. locks – Contact the company and get a quote for the locks. Can be \$600 - \$800 for the locks to be replaced. Locks are 15 to 16 years old. Submit a request. Purchase Order or Quote. **Tabled to the December 5, 2021 meeting til quote is received.**

Stephen – let the board know they received \$9500 for the truck sent to auction. The town will get \$8500. The Auction house takes \$1000.

Bob motioned to adjourn the Public Meeting to go into non-public session. Chris Seconded. Motion Carried.

Stephen motioned to go into Non-Public Session RSA 91-A:3, II(a) Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.

Stephen motioned to adjourn meeting. Chris Seconded.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 PM

Submitted Vickie Williams – Secretary

Robert Fee _____ Chris Madden _____ Stephen McGerty _____