

# DRAFT

Town of Stoddard  
**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
Monday, July 17, 2023  
Town Hall – 7 PM

## MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees include: Christopher Madden – Chair, Robert Fee – Selectmen, Terri LaRoche – Selectmen, Michelle Pong – Town Administrator, Vickie Williams – Secretary and Harry Power – Compliance Officer

Guests include: Joe Traniello, Karen Bell, Jason Kovarick, Noreen & Ray Durand, Rex Rodanas and Bob Maden

## APPOINTMENTS

Karen Bell – Town Clerk/Tax Collector

### Deeding of Property

Ascani - \$1,533.25 – 2021 lien

Brisco - \$1,395.72 – 2021 lien

Bunker-\$4,198.53 – 2020 lien

Burge - \$19,479.96 – since 2014 liens

Parker - \$1,195.82 – 2022 lien

Shand - \$8,847.75 – 2017 – 2023 liens and only made a couple payments

**Chris Motioned to deed all properties above. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Karen will reach out to Holmes and O'Brien to see if she can work with them to pay back taxes less than \$500.00

**Chris Motioned to go into Non-Public RSA 91-A: 3, II(c). Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

**Chris Motioned to close Non-Public RSA 91-A: 3, II(c) @7:45 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

**Chris Motioned to seal the Non-Public RSA 91-A: 3, II(c). Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

**Chris Motioned to return to the Public Meeting @7:45 PM. Terri Seconded. Motion Carried.**

## APPOINTMENTS (CONT'D)

Harry Power

113-67 – Shedd Hill Road – debris, looks like junkyard. Michelle will send letter with the next steps involved from the Selectmen.

**Bob Motioned for Michelle to write and send letter. Chris Seconded. Motion Carried.**

121-22.8 – Peters – June 26<sup>th</sup> sent letter gave to have everything removed and returned to the original condition. State of NH is the enforcer on this issue, state permit.

Rice – Lawyer told ZBA to move forward with the hearing request. Still has to reapply to the State for the NHDES permit.

113 – 14 & 15 – Roncaioli – PD \$300.00 – enclosing side porch to connect with existing porch

126 – 27 – Weston – PD \$450.00 – tear down existing – rebuild new on existing footprint.  
Dumpster to be on site.

107 – 5 – Smith – PD \$50.00 – putting in Solar

123-02 – Bush – PD \$300.00 – replacing torn down barn with garage. No heat/cold storage only

110- 33 Moxley – PD \$300.00 – Attaching a carport

**All above Signed & Approved**

David Vaillencourt

Update on the roads – they are getting done have spent \$50,000.00 so far on repair. Expect to spend \$25,000.00 more till completed repairs. West Shore Road – pavement. Baily Brook Road was the worst hit. A lot of positive feedback on getting the roads passable. Will take a month to fix and repair all damage done.

Can the Speed sign be moved back to Route 123 by Island Pond

**Chris Motioned for Dave to move the speed sign back to Route 123 North by Island Pond.  
Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Dave can you please get an estimate on the cost of more speed signs. Dave believes \$6,500.00 for 2 speed recorders if bought together will check and get back to the board.

#### TO BE SIGNED/APPROVED

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes of 6/12/2023 – corrected during meeting
3. Minutes of 6/26/2023
4. Approval of payment to the 250<sup>th</sup> committee
5. Intent to cut (2)

Change minutes of 6/26/2023 to the name of the auditor Vernoff, not Vermouth the computer company.

**Chris Motioned to Accept the Minutes of 6/26/2023 with change. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

**All Above Signed & Approved**

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Bob Maden – North Shore Road – the new culvert is the only one not washed out – although there is signs of head wall erosion

Old Forest Road culvert can see under the road. State issue as the culvert is on Route 123.

Terri – 250<sup>th</sup> Committee – Does not want to be an appointed town board. Would like help with the event insurance. Would like to have the support of the Selectmen.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Letter to LBF donors

**Chris Motioned to table this for now. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Combined meeting of BOS/CON COM moved to the July 24, 2023 Board of Selectmen meeting. Will publicize.

Expenses for CON COM Art work \$3,000.00 and \$20,000.00 to Geoff Jones has to go back to CON COM. Needs to shown in the minutes, the motion to pay, the second and the amounts must all be included in the Conservation Committee's Minutes of the meeting the vote was held.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Computer Town Clerk/Tax Collector – replace the existing they are in bad shape

**Terri Motioned to Purchase. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Laptop for Animal Control

**Chris Motioned to table till the July 24, 2023 meeting. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Sound System for the Town Hall

Good Idea

**Bob Motioned to Purchase Sound System for the Town Hall. Terri Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Appointment to the Conservation Commission - Aaron Bryer works for Stoddard Lumber has shown an interest in joining the CON COM.

**Chris Motioned to Appoint Aaron Bryer to the Conservation Commission. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Still 1 person shore on the Trustees of the Trust Funds Board

MISC

Terri – Thought some great things happened during the storm, but we can do better. Communication was lacking. Can we set up a meeting with Dan and Fire Department to review what happened? Review what went well and what did not go well or work?

Bob - Think about having a master list of those with equipment in town that will allow use during emergencies such as the storm damage.

Emergency Mitigation is the Emergency Management Directors job. If they would like to set up a meeting between Emergency Management Director, Fire Dept and Selectmen, that would be up to the Emergency Management Director and not the Selectboard.

Money going to the School & Cheshire County – The public believes the School should have stayed open as a shelter for the citizens of Stoddard, they pay the school taxes.

Michelle will discuss with Dan Eaton about a public meeting with Emergency Management, Fire Dept, Selectmen and the public, and if he feels one should be held. It is the decision of the Emergency Management Director.

**Chris Motioned to Adjourn Public Meeting @ 9:05 PM. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.**

Submitted

Vickie Williams – Secretary

Christopher Madden\_\_\_\_\_

Robert Lee\_\_\_\_\_

Terri LaRoche\_\_\_\_\_