

**SELECTMENS MEETING
TOWN OF STODDARD
TOWN HALL – 7 PM
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022**

MINUTES

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees include Robert Fee – Selectmen, Christopher Madden – Selectmen, Stephen McGerty – Selectmen, Michelle Pong – Town Administrator and Harry Power – Compliance Officer

Guests include Robert Diluzio – Diluzio Ambulance, Trevor Anderson – Fire Dept Chief, Dave Vaillencourt, Terry LaRoche, Bob Maden and others.

Appointments:

Diluzio Ambulance – Owner Robert Diluzio spoke to the Town saying that he is honoring the Town Contract until its conclusion in March of 2024. Pending merger with the County did not work out.

Trevor Anderson – Fire Chief – Purchase orders

Knox Secure box not functioning in brush truck, to replace \$900.00 and software upgrade is \$1,700.00 – Can send box back at \$60.00 an hour for them to look at. In the meantime, bought a coded lockbox to use til problem resolved.

Old Fire Station – filled with junk, would like to clean out and sell what can be sold and get rid of or scrap what can not be used.

Paul Bourassa new Fire Dept. hire.

Pump Testing – Eng 1 & 2 and Tanker 1 have to be tested it is \$275.00 per vehicle total \$825.00 through WD Perkins – Money in Budget

Structural Gear - \$3,680.00 for full set of gear – order 1 set for this year in budget. 2 sets will be ordered next years budget. Total of 3 new gear sets.

Harry Power – Compliance Officer

104 - 09 - Justin & Barbara Carpenter, shed 8 X 16. Right near water. Building on existing. \$150.00 pd. Harry will check on blueprint will return fee if on existing blueprint.

115 – 03 – Raymond & Deborah Tuttle – Cold storage shed 14 X 18

All Signed & Approved

David Vaillencourt – Highway Manager – Has scheduled work on North Shore Road. Grading, dropping 20 tons of stone. Will work on the ditches. Can not fully repair the road til Nelson fixes the bridge and reopens it. The Town of Nelson is waiting on rebar to complete that project which they can not get right now.

Shedd Hill Road – Vermont Roadworks is starting the paving of Shedd Hill Road July 11, 2022.

To Be Signed/Approved

1. A/R and/or P/R Manifest
2. Minutes of 5/9/2022
3. Minutes of 5/9/2022 – Non Public
4. Tax Rebate Voucher
5. Timber Tax Warrant
6. Veteran's Tax Credit

All Signed & Approved

Chris motioned to accept the Minutes of 5/9/2022. Stephen Seconded. Motion Carried.

Public Comment - (Agenda Items Only)

Ambulance – At Town Meeting a lot of concern shown about the Ambulance Service. As stated previously by the owner of Diluzio Ambulance they are honoring our contract through March 2024.

Old Business

Audit – Is Completed. Copy at the Town Offices and will be put on the Town website.

Town Meeting Comments – Suggestions for next year – Went fairly well overall. Dan Eaton could slow down the process, moves too fast. Chris suggested the powerpoint and review of the budget should become a regular part of the meeting. Should move the microphone to face the public better. Could there be a summary handout for the budget to the public?

Vermont Roadworks and North Shore Road (see above – discussed earlier).

New Business:

Increase Revenues – based on actuals

Yield Tax estimate at \$150.00

Interest & Penalties delinquent taxes – estimate at \$6,500.00

License & Permits – Estimate \$0.00

Motor Vehicle Permit fees – Estimate \$300,000.00

Building Permits – Estimate \$9,000.00

Other License (Dogs) – Estimate \$11,000.00

Municipal Aid & Shared Revenue – Estimate \$0.00

Meals & Rooms Tax, Highway, Block Grants and Land Reimbursement all Estimated by the State

Income from other Depts – Estimate at \$1,000.00

Sale of Municipal Property – Estimate at \$0.00

Interest on Investments – Estimate \$1,000.00

Trust & Fudiciary Funds \$1,000.00

Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items Only)

Terri LaRoche questioned the math on Article 2 regarding the Town Clerk/Tax Collector increase of \$5,000.00. The Town Administrator assured her the math was correct. Terri said she would email the numbers.

Chris Motioned to leave public session. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.

Chris Motion to go into Non Public Session. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.

Came out of Non-Public session @ 8:10 PM

Chris moved to unseal various minutes. Bob Seconded. Motion Carried.

Chris motioned to Adjourn the Public Meeting. Stephen Seconded. Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned 8:21 PM

Submitted

Vickie Williams – Secretary

Robert Fee _____

Christopher Madden _____

Stephen McGerty _____