

**TOWN OF APPLETON  
MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING HELD  
JANUARY 12, 2016 AT APPLETON VILLAGE SCHOOL.**

*There were approximately 50 voters present at this meeting.*

ARTICLE 1. On a motion Elmer Savage was nominated and voted by Secret ballot to serve as moderator to preside over this special town meeting. He was sworn to the office.

ARTICLE 2. On a motion the Town voted to authorize the Select Board to issue a Municipal Quit Claim Deed to the Personal Representative of the **Alden Trull Estate**, the former owner of Map 019, Lot 027, to convey the tax acquired property owned by the Town by virtue of the tax lien recorded in the Knox County Registry of Deeds in Book 4703, Page 266 for 2012 taxes.

The conditions for conveying the property are that all unpaid taxes currently assessed are paid in full. Said Personal Representative must pay all unpaid taxes, including interest, costs and attorney fees in full within 30 days of the date of this town meeting. Failure to comply will revoke the privilege.

*Note: Unpaid taxes, interest and costs as of the date of foreclosure are \$6,790.93. Cost of deed preparation is \$150.*

ARTICLE 3. On a motion the Town voted to amend the “Town Of Appleton Budget Committee Ordinance” adopted on June 09, 2010 by amending the sentence “No town official or employee receiving over \$500 per year in compensation from the Town of Appleton may be a member.” to read “No town official or employee receiving over \$2000 *per Town’s fiscal year* in compensation from the Town of Appleton may be a member.”

ARTICLE 4. On an amended motion the Town voted to authorize the Select Board to put out to bid and enter into a one (1), two (2), or three (3) year contract for the purpose of **Contracted Assessing Services**.

ARTICLE 5. On an amended motion the Town voted to amend the “Road Entrance Permit For the Town of Appleton” adopted March 19, 1988 as follows:

Change “Road Entrance Permit For the Town of Appleton” to  
“*Driveway/Road Entrance Permit For the Town of Appleton*”.

Change wording from “An entrance permit is required to be obtained from Selectmen before any private road is connected to a town public way. Such private road shall be connected in such a manner as to meet approval of the Road Commissioner and Selectmen. Cost of the first culvert is to be paid by the private road owner.” to “An entrance permit is required to be obtained from the *Select Board* before any *driveway/private* road is connected to a town public way. Such *driveway/private* road shall be connected in such a manner as to meet approval of the Road Commissioner and *Select Board*. Cost of the first culvert is to be paid by the *driveway/private* road owner.”

**Paved Driveways / Private Roads:**

Once the initial culvert is installed to the municipality’s specifications, it becomes the responsibility of the Town to maintain. However, if the property owner chooses to pave or hot/top their own driveway/private road, the Town is not responsible for the replacement of the pavement or hot top should the culvert require replacement.

**Fees:**

A permit fee of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) payable to the Town of Appleton will be required for each entrance permit prior to permit being issued.

**Violations:**

The following would constitute a violation:

- A. Failure to obtain an entrance permit.
- B. Failure to comply with specifications set forth in application.
- C. Failure to meet inspection and approval of Road Commissioner and Select Board.

**Remedies of Violations:**

Any person who continues to violate any provision of this ordinance after receiving written notice of such violations shall be subject to a fine of not less than two-hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) nor more than twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2500.00) for each violation, in accordance with 30-A MRSA par 4452.

When the above action does not result in the correction or abatement of the violation, the Select Board of Appleton, upon notice from the Road Commissioner, are hereby authorized and directed to institute any and all actions and proceedings, either legal or equitable, including seeking injunctions of violations and the imposition of fines, that may be appropriate or necessary to enforce provisions of this Ordinance in the name of the Town of Appleton in accordance with the provisions of 30-A MRSA par. 4452.

ARTICLE 6. On an amended motion the Town voted to authorize the Select Board to create an eight (8) person committee plus one (1) selectman to research the possibility of hiring a full or part time administrator, and/or other things that would improve the functionality of our town government, and to follow-up at the annual town meeting in June.

On a motion the town meeting was adjourned at 8:24PM.

A True Attest:

Pamela J. Smith  
Town Clerk