

Appleton Select Board
August 8, 2023
MINUTES

1. Convene. Board: Costigan, Garrigan, Esancy, Blakely. No Road Commissioner
2. Edits to Agenda: Costigan: Add paving specification quote from Sewall Engineering, Vote to Sell Spirits on Days Other than Sunday.
3. Costigan: Motion to Approve Warrants totaling \$97,448.02. Blakely: Second. Unanimous.
4. Garrigan: Motion to Approve Minutes. Esancy: Second. Unanimous.
5. No public comment.
6. Road Commissioner: Absent. Garrigan: Motion to approve purchase order for bid specifications for paving and paving prep with Sewall Engineering, \$8,758, for Town Hill and Appleton Ridge, funded by ARPA. Blakely: Second. Unanimous. Esancy commented having technical specifications provided by engineers on a local road facing heavy vehicular weight was wise. Costigan said goal is to have a better understanding of full cost of paving project before beginning. Cited Peabody being in excess of \$35,000 in prep in 23 and Collinstown facing more than \$15,000 in post-paving costs. Asked that if the work/bid process extended to the spring and if another storm creates greater damage would Sewall revise as needed. Costigan to discuss and to sign Sewall contract
Costigan read email from Road Commissioner listing planned projects, including ditching of Sennebec Road. Esancy reminded a plan would be required, listing all materials and scope of work, as per the Road Commissioner Guidelines adopted in 2017, item 3.
7. Select Board
Costigan: Motion to approve warrant on sale of spirits other than Sunday for November election. Blakely: Second. Unanimous. The vote at the polls will allow residents to determine if hard spirits can be sold by Burketville General/Edgecombs.
'24 Goals Update: Blakely reviewing transportation grants; Esancy obtaining accounting of remaining ARPA funds.
Other: Esancy discussed Comprehensive Plan Committee and the inclusion of updated maps. Historical Society to host a fundraiser for the Meetinghouse Steeple and add signage for Sherman's Mill Pond highlighting the mill and its role in town history. FEMA meeting for May 1 storm will be Thursday with a followup the following week. Much work to do for citing pins and documentation. Has alerted Road Commissioner for assistance. Finally, Cemetery Committee reviewing new bylaws and hope to have for board within a few weeks for review and approval.