

Appleton Select Board September 18, 2018

1. Convene, 7 p.m. (Gushee, Wyman, Fenner, Beckett, Costigan)
2. Reminder: Meetings are recorded.
3. Beckett: Motion to approve minutes of Sept. 11. Gushee: Second. Unanimous.
4. Beckett: Motion to sign tax commitment. Wyman: Second. Unanimous.
5. Fenner: Motion to sign 2018 Assessor's Return for Knox County. Gushee: Second. Unanimous.
6. Sale of tax-acquired properties, as approved during town meeting: Hall Lane (1.6 acres) and VanDyne (waterfront/Sennebec). Title searches will be conducted on both. Costigan will contact title search company.
7. Access to MMA Legal: MMA has requested an updated list of municipal officials who are able to contact for MMA Legal. Gushee: Motion for Fenner to update MMA list. Beckett: Second. Unanimous.
8. Fenner: Motion to approve a purchase order for an overhead door (\$2,475.00) for the fire department. Costigan: Second. Unanimous.
9. Road Commissioner: Received a request from a Portland law firm for maintenance records for Johnson Pond Trail. Boyington gave number for former selectman Donald Burke and his father, whose property borders Johnson Pond Trail. Fenner: David Scofield, CEO, also received a call from a law firm in Portland. Freedom of access requests needs to be submitted. Fenner: All requests should be received in writing. Boyington: "It was a conversation I'd have with anyone, my own knowledge." Fenner: Not trying to deny public info access, just want it done the right way.

Driveway Entrance Permit Request for Brandon Fuller, near 1586 Appleton Ridge Rd.

Purchase Order request Sennebec Road, Union town line, ditching and shoulder washout near plugged culvert. Request for \$1,500. Beckett: Motion to approve purchase order.

Wyman: Second. Unanimous.

Costigan: Motion to approve purchase order request for second round of roadside mowing: \$2,000 (amount is half of first-round request/not doing all roads, main roads only). Beckett: Second. Unanimous.

Trucks Entering signs will be posted on W. Appleton Road.

Bus Turning Sign ahead for Route 105.

Speed Sign will be moved to 131.

10. Other: Estimate for W. Appleton Midcoast Properties town forest culvert/driveway: \$2,700/Mansius. Fenner Motion to approve \$2,700. Wyman: Second. Unanimous.

Wyman approached by someone in town about the status of Johnson Pond Road. Documents date to 1828 when road was first established. In 1981 town voted to close it as a maintained way. Returned to person who requested info: Bob Bocko.

Wyman explained the town never issued an order of discontinuance. Someone could claim road was abandoned. Presumption of abandonment still has public right of way but town retains right of way. Costigan questioned role of MMA Legal as a source of legal advice for municipal officials. Fenner called for consistency in requests to MMA.

11. Public Comment: None.

12. Gushee: Motion to adjourn. Beckett: Second. Unanimous.