

Appleton Select Board  
January 28, 2020

1. Convene, 7 p.m. (Gould, Beckett, Fenner, Garrigan, Costigan)
2. Reminder: Meetings are recorded.
3. Costigan: Motion to sign warrants #57, town payroll, \$2,870.84; #59, school expenses, \$78,765.35; #60, town accounts payable, \$18,575.22; #58, \$68,899.01, school payroll; and, #61, \$25.00, town expense. Beckett: Second. Unanimous.
4. Garrigan: Motion to approve minutes of Jan. 21, 2020. Gould: Second. Unanimous.
5. Fenner: Motion to approve minutes of Jan. 23, 2020. Gould: Second. 3-0-2/Garrigan, Beckett, absence.
6. Road Commissioner: Basketball game. Finished cutting brush on Guinea Ridge Road and has begun cutting brush on Gurneytown and Sleepy Hollow roads and seeking \$5,000 purchase order for brush cutting and tree removal; met paving rep to discuss possible paving projects, and has begun budget planning. Fenner: Motion to approve purchase order request. Beckett: Second. Unanimous.
7. Committee Meetings
  - Tri-County: Beckett: 3. 2 percent increase in the Appleton share of the Tri-County Solid Waste budget.
  - Broadband: Beckett and Costigan visited Tidewater to review grants for high-speed internet. Tidewater will be getting funds to expand underserved areas. A broadband committee would help this process by reviewing service plans.
  - Beckett: Motion to create a broadband committee. Costigan: Second. Unanimous.
  - Comprehensive Plan Committee: Online survey is ready. Residents can take the survey from the town website. Hard copies available at the town office, BGS, and the library.
  - Forestry: Fenner met with forest rangers regarding trees cut in right of way of Moose Carry Road. Records have to establish the town road boundaries. District Attorney unlikely to prosecute; civil action a possibility. Fenner: Should we do something to prevent further damage to town roads? Signage to post roads for weight restrictions? Authority to post unmaintained roads.
  - Pine Grove: Anthony Collins has cut some along Pine Grove perimeter and also dead wood. Forrester Steve Powers helping to identify problem pines with deadwood.
8. Margaret Chase Smith:
9. Fire Department Purchase Order: Fenner: Motion to approve purchase order for air tanks, paid by the Stephen and Tabitha King grant, \$2,400. Costigan: Second. Unanimous.
10. Property Tax Abatement: Fix amount due to correction in waterfrontage. Fenner: Motion to correct. Garrigan: Second. Unanimous.
11. Special Town Meeting, Feb. 4. No board meeting. Fenner: Cancel board meeting Feb. 4. Beckett: Second. Unanimous.
12. Fenner: Executive Session for consideration of a Poverty Abatement. Beckett: Second Unanimous.
13. Reconvene Regular Session (8:08 p.m.) Fenner: Motion to approve \$2,390.66, poverty abatement #1. Beckett: Second. Unanimous.
14. Adjourn.