

SELECT BOARD MEETING: VIA ZOOM

Date: November 24, 2020 6:30 P.M.

In Attendance: Selectboard- John Fenner (chair,) Lorie Costigan, Charles Garrigan (tardy,) Danielle Gould, Peter Beckett
Town Clerk Elizabeth E Dickerson
Kay Neufeld (Camden Herald)
Members of the public: one

1. Call Select Board meeting to order

Selectperson Fenner called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

2. Meetings are recorded

Selectperson Fenner reminded attendees that Zoom meetings are recorded.

3. Approve the minutes of November 17, 2020 meeting

Selectperson Beckett: motion to approve the minutes of November 17, 2020,

Selectperson Costigan, second.

Vote: Beckett: yes, Costigan: yes, Fenner: yes, Garrigan: absent Gould: yes 4-0-1 the motion passes.

4. Public Comment: none

5. Road Commissioner- Jake Boyington sent photos to the board's email showing the progress on the bridge. All mats are in place, more work is needed to replace the missing deck stone but it needs a lot more excavation and laying up of supporting stone. Will take a lot of time, don't currently have the stone available. Selectperson Costigan asked whether the large stone should be moved somewhere secure, for future town use. Chair Fenner said that the equipment to move it would be there tomorrow, so if it is to be moved, the time is now to discuss. Concerning the bridge parts still good, four useful mats were removed, and there are 8 x 8 timbers that still look sound. Chair Fenner says the town could save for working on harvesting in the town forest in order to use for stream crossing for machinery. Selectperson Garrigan asked whether they- should be dragged to Lower Road? Chair Fenner thought they could be brought back to the town and stored just uphill from the sand shed until needed. Decision needs to be made about what should be salvaged because machines will be gone by noontime. Selectperson Beckett said that it could be left up to Chair Fenner to decide when he visits the site. Concerning the rock? Selectperson Gould asked whether it had fallen onto someone else's property. Chair Fenner said no, it's in the right of way. Selectperson Garrigan had a brief discussion with Mr. Neils after town meeting, who was concerned about the history of the bridge. Selectperson Costigan expressed concern that the bridge and the original stone continue to be recognized as part of a historically significant structure. Selectperson Beckett said that if the workers are going to move all the wood, they might as well move the stone to the storage area behind the sand shed. Selectperson Garrigan said he would meet Chair Fenner down at the bridge the next day to help organize the effort.

6. Town Clerk- Elizabeth Dickerson: David Schofield needs to be sworn in as Addressing Officer. Chair Fenner said that the Deputy Clerk had sworn him in that day. Selectperson Garrigan question about MOSES training, the clerk reports she will be doing an all day training Tuesday, December 1. Residents can get hunting licenses online in the meantime.- Chair Fenner gave a brief office update. Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Langley Willauer will speak with the auditors this week, the clerk will participate.

7. Select Board

A. Committee Reports: Selectperson Gould- The Library Committee met last Wednesday. They have been receiving donations from appeals letters that were sent out. Discussions have included whether to open more, concerns with COVID cases, and finding new alternatives to fundraising. Selectperson Beckett-Assessor Kurt Lebel was in the office Friday last identifying acreage overs and unders. Letters have gone out. Selectperson Garrigan asked how large is the largest overage. Selectperson Beckett answered that one is 29 acres.

8. Other- Selectperson Beckett: An email was received from Randall Parr. He would like to see the Fire Department and Town Office painted. Selectperson Gould asked whether it had happened not that long ago. Chair Fenner said that the funds to paint are available, and that in the case of the Fire Department, some carpentry work needs to be addressed. Any painting projects can proceed in the warm weather. Chair Fenner reminded all that the town office is closed on the 27th, which is the day after Thanksgiving. The office is also closed Thanksgiving, and will be closed as usual on Wednesday.

9. Executive Session: none

10. Adjourn 6:57 pm, adjournment is by unanimous consent

A True Copy Attest,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Dickerson', with a long, sweeping underline.

Elizabeth Dickerson
Appleton Town Clerk