

Appleton Select Board
October 6, 2020

1. Convene, Public Hearing on Changing Polling Location, 6:30 p.m. The Secretary of State has approved the Appleton Fire Station as a polling location for Appleton. F. Brown: Why are you changing it and do you know it's an emergency shelter. Fenner: Yes. Town office too small to comply with covid regulations and the town office boiler is broken. Proximity to usual voting venue would lessen potential for confusion.
2. Public Hearing Closed, 6:33 p.m.
3. Select Board Meeting Convenes, 6:33 p.m. (Beckett, Costigan, Fenner, Garrigan, Gould)
4. Reminder: Meetings are recorded.
5. Beckett: Motion to approve the minutes of September 29, 2020. Gould: Second. Beckett: Yes. Costigan: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Abstain. Gould: Yes. 4-0-1
6. Public Comment. None.
7. Road Commissioner: Started grading Ridge Road. Conditions too dry so waiting for more rain. Rain/windstorm late last week had some downed limbs and trees. Garrigan and Gould noted trees remain on certain roads, including Peabody, Gurneytown, and W. Appleton. Replacing street signs.
8. Election Clerk: Fenner: Election Day Personnel, is it sufficient? Smith: You appointed the new people who asked to help this year. Fenner: There is no record of additional people being voted to be appointed and without a vote the document is worthless. Still need a warden and need to know if we need further clerks in case someone doesn't show up. (John has an 8x11 with names. The list has 15 names, two of whom who were recently appointed. No record of vote for other names.) Fenner: A warden is needed. Clerk to submit list of any remaining ballot/election clerks to be appointed. Clerk: Absentee Ballots arrived today. Lost in the mail from the printer but received today. Clerks mailed 200 to voters today and have 100 to mail tomorrow.
9. Tax Abatement: Consideration of 2020 abatement for Parel 016-019-003, divided in March 2020 and the land division was not processed in Trio. 9 acres purchased by Davis was assessed for 40 acres, not 9. Need to abate Davis for 31 acres. Fenner: Motion to approve tax abatement as presented. Beckett: Second. Beckett: Yes. Costigan: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes. Supplemental Assessment for 016-019-005 31 acres retained by Nancy Hughes. Fenner: Motion to approve. Beckett: Second. Beckett: Yes. Costigan: Yes. Fenner: Yes. Garrigan: Yes. Gould: Yes.
10. Committee Reports: None.

11. Over/Under Tax Letters: Lebel to send at the end of October, one letter for people who were overassessed, another for underassessed.
12. Town Office Heating System: Rockport Mechanical returned call but has not reached Fenner. Mechanical Services representative met with Fenner at the town office 10/6/2020 to ascertain cost to repair or replace.
13. Letter from I. Shofestall: Requesting ordinance on regulating discharge of firearms, directed to planning board by Fenner.
14. Election Prep: Garrigan can help move materials on Monday before the election.
15. Adjourn by unanimous consent, 7:28 p.m.