

SELECT BOARD
MINUTES WELLS TOWN OFFICE
November 7, 2023

PRESENT: Select Board: Don Preuss, Paul Woodruff Jr., Tammy Holcomb
Also: Sherry Newton, Mark Shea, John Belnavis, Francis Caiazza, Stanley Martelle Jr., David Ricard Sr.

1. Meeting was called to order by Select Board Chair Don Preuss at 7:00 P.M.
2. Minutes were read and approved.
3. Bills were studied and discussed and orders were signed. Tammy requested that a little more detail be added to timecards in regards to what is being worked on with the trucks.
4. John Belnavis from the Lake St. Catherine Association discussed the sign at the bottom of Lake Hill. Don discussed the Y intersection at the bottom of the hill. Don said they would like to change the intersection into a T intersection, but the telephone pole complicates the change. John would like to know if the LSCA could move their sign to a different location. The T intersection is not going to be explored any further for quite awhile at this point. John is going to ask a landowner about getting permission to install a sign at a nearby location.
5. Mark Shea discussed the results of a town survey that RCSWD did that increases the awareness of recycling and composting. He talked about how the Rutland County Solid Waste District has reached out to towns to help with this project.
6. The Select Board received a contract agreement from Brian Bishop for the 2024-2026 mowing seasons. Paul made a motion to accept the contract bid from Brian Bishop. 2nd by Tammy. Passed unanimously. This is a 3- year contract.
7. Tammy made a motion to sign the Rutland Regional Emergency Management Committee Reappointment Form. Don Preuss and Todd Fenton are listed as the contact people. 2nd by Paul. Passed unanimously.
8. Stanley Martell Jr. would like to purchase the town truck that is being replaced due to it being his dads old work truck. The Select Board will take this into consideration once they get closer to receiving the new one.
9. Tammy had information on prices for uniforms for the highway crew. Tammy has set up an account at Durfee's for boots and certain apparel, if the guys would like to go there and charge to the town instead of being reimbursed. Tammy made a motion to order employee uniforms from Miller's and to give a \$250.00 stipend for pants/overalls for this fiscal year. 2nd by Paul. Passed unanimously.
10. The Select Board discussed the town report cover. They are still exploring options as we have not received any photos from the community.
11. The footings are in at Tadmer Road. The project is moving forward and estimated to be another couple of weeks. Tammy made a motion to use ARPA funds for all aspects of the Tadmer Road project. 2nd by Paul. Passed unanimously.

12. Don toured the new town garage in the town of Tinmouth. The Select Board also discussed details of a salt shed.
13. The Select Board talked about the Transfer Station credit from Casella's. The town has received the credit and it will be applied to future bills.
14. The Select Board discussed the upcoming budget. The Select Board will come up with a separate date to go over the budget details.
15. Tammy will contact Comcast about the contract for the Town Office and Library phones/internet agreements as it appears that the amounts have gone up over the years.
16. Tammy made a motion to adjourn at 8:48 P.M. 2nd by Paul. Passed unanimously.

Don Preuss

Paul Woodruff Jr.

Tammy Holcomb
