



TOWN OF RICHFORD

Selectboard

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES

On Monday, February 4, 2019 at 7 P.M. board chair Linda Collins continued into the first regular meeting of the month's agenda after hearing a presentation to the board from Olivia Pond regarding her civic service ideas. Other board members present are Wayne Hurtubise, Sherry Paquette, Arthur Pond, and Norris Tillotson .

Also present were Agenda guests John Wetherby and Town Clerk Alan Fletcher; other guests in attendance are Assistant Clerks Sheila Record and Anita Sartwell, Chuckie McAllister, Joey Randall, Joshua Aldridge and Camera-person Lane McElree. Scribe Eric Collins arrived at 6:53 PM.

Ms. Collins read a letter of intent from Mr. Bruce Wetherby announcing the sale of his trash business to John Wetherby with the hope the board will continue to support John and continue the current contract. He expressed his thanks and honor to have served the community for so long.

John Wetherby then expressed that the business would indeed continue as usual as desired by the town, with the same level of service, and with the same crew of employees staying on. Mr. Pond queried as to the parks, playground, & cemeteries pickups and received assurances they would continue.

Motion made by Mr. Pond to enter into a trash contract with Mr. John Wetherby (in light of the sale), motion seconded by Mr. Hurtubise. Motion carried.

John Wetherby & Chuckie McAllister left the meeting.

Annette Goyne was on the agenda but not present.

Chair Collins provided Public Safety Commissioner with a chip reader for identifying 'chipped' pets.

Water Dept.: Commissioner Tillotson spoke of water issues and valve expenses incurred on Province St. Subject matter moved on to time to review the SOS contract. Then Alan Fletcher interjected he'd like to see a slight rate decrease. After debate on the subject Mrs. Paquette made the motion to increase the sewer base rate by \$5 and decrease the water base rate by \$10 to create an overall base rate reduction of \$10 every six months. Mr. Pond seconded the motion. The motion carried.

The Town Treasurer informed the board his office was ready to move forward on the sale of 21 Elm Ave. and the board needed to appoint someone to handle the signing of paperwork on behalf of the town.

Chair Collins made the motion that Alan Fletcher act as Land Conveyor on behalf of the Town of Richford and sign all Closing Documents as necessary to complete the sale of 21 Elm Ave. Mrs. Paquette seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A certificate of appointment was then signed for same.

Chair Collins made a motion to enter an Executive Session for a personnel discussion. Mrs. Paquette seconded and motion carried at 7:30 PM

The Selectboard, Town Clerk/Treasurer Fletcher and Assist Clerk Record ended their executive session at 7:45 PM. As a result of executive session the Town Clerk/Treasurer agreed to extend his retirement until a later date.

Highways: Commissioner Hurtubise reports on the various Ice problems, much of it is a matter of timing, using a scarified blade on the grader to break up ice. Discussion of possible Ice Jams on the river.

Bldgs: Commissioner Paquette reports on door gaskets at the Emergency Services Building, Minor heat issues at PO Bldg. and other board members querying as to bottom steps being cleared of ice.

Parks, Playgrounds, Cemeteries: Commissioner Pond waiting on better weather to replace Davis Park flag and adds as a side note: Police: New sheriff to email New contract soon.

Chair asks for motion to approve minutes of January 21 with corrections: Debbie Foote was erroneously stated as in attendance when in fact it was Nancy Campbell; Vaugh'n' misspelled; and Mrs. Paquette recused herself from the Jolley Store vote.

At 8 P.M. Chair Collins called for the adjournment of the Selectboard Meeting and called a Liquor Control Board meeting to order to present one application for renewal of Pop-A-Top's Liquor license... at which time the application was circulated and signed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

True copy:  Attested: 2-6-2019