

Unapproved Minutes July 2, 2018

Chair Linda Collins called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with the following people present, select board members Norris Tillotson, Sherry Paquette, Arthur Pond and Linda Collins. Guests: Sarah West, Josh Aldrich, Eric Collins, Michael Hranek, Dwayne Hebert and Town Clerk Alan Fletcher.

Regarding a possible sale of right away land owned by the town near Academy Lane, to Richford Renaissance, Pond said he spoke to adjoining neighbor Eric Chagnon who had tried to purchase the land earlier. He expressed concern about the proximity of his sewer line to the right of way. Pond also discussed a Vermont Electric pole positioned there with an employee of the company.

Eric Collins added that the property was a road at one time that had not been thrown up and might need a hearing. Pond made a motion to rescind an earlier vote to sell the property, second by Paquette. All in favor with Tillotson voting no.

Collins made a motion not to sell the property at this time with a second by Pond. All in favor with Tillotson abstaining.

Town Clerk Fletcher asked the board to approve a tax rate .8438. The 2017 tax rate was .8656. Paquette made the motion to accept with a second by Pond and the motion was approved.

Fletcher said he has been receiving many calls about the water notice and thinks there should be a public meeting to answer questions. He said Ray Soloman an engineer and environmental scientist for the state would come and speak. The water is slightly higher than state standards because of organic matter in the spring. The state has said the water is safe to drink. The board approved the request and instructed Fletcher to set up a meeting.

Paquette reported that the bell tower on the roof of the town hall needs repair from wind damage and painting. The board decided to have Bob Peters do the repairs while he is installing the new roof so the job will be complete and last for several years.

Michael Hranik asked the board to repair the access road behind his property at 109 Main St. It was explained that the road is part of the rail trail extension which is expected to be completed by next summer.

Pond reported that summer camp is in session at the playground and the WiFi is turned off there during camp time. He has ordered signs that prohibit dogs on the ball diamonds and will install signs saying there are cameras monitoring the playground.

The tax sale will be held on July 17 at the Town Hall.

Tillotson reported that the Water and Sewer Department has repaired four manholes and have five left.

Collins reported that there will be a meeting to discuss storm water with the state on Thursday morning at 10 a.m at the town hall. She also reported that the town received insurance money for the 07 truck that exceeded what the trade in would have been when they purchase the new truck. The trade in was \$36,000 and the insurance is over \$60,000.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Attested By:

Town Clerk Alan Fletcher

Submitted by Linda Collins