

Town of Stow

Selectmen Meeting Minutes DATE 07-26-2022

Opening: The Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm in Stow, Maine by Jim Wilfong.

Present

Selectmen: Ray Ryan, Jim Wilfong Carl Lindblade

Town Clerk: Christine Carone **Deputy Clerk:** Kathleen Panno **Treasurer:** Nancy Boros

Road Agent: (Selectman Jim Wilfong). We need to advance money to complete the Shell Pond Rd, we will be reimbursed in early 2023 from the Forestry Service for this project. GPS coordinates/ tags have been recorded on all culverts set in place. We are going to spend \$5k and put liquid calcium on our roads which packs it down and seals the road. The cost is .43 cents a foot. The liquid calcium is applied after a grader and roller smooths the road. If we have remaining funds we will purchase more cold patch. We have already used \$4k of cold patch. We have done a lot of ditching on Union Hill, a lot on Kezar Lake Road, and South Chatham Road (we need to finish 3 more culverts on So. Chatham). A culvert was replaced on Meadow Rd and Chatham Road (an emergency). Moving the equipment can cost up to \$150 per machine, the goal is to minimize the number of times equipment is moved. **Road report accepted MSV 3-0**

Residents/Guests: NA

Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved

Approval of Minutes: Minutes Approved from 07/12/2022 meeting. **Moved and approved 3-0.**

Clerks Business: ARPA work has been completed. We are waiting for a UEI number that is required for submission of our expenses to the State of Maine. Western Maine Timberlands has sent payment for their overweight permit application for their trucks. Clerks report accepted, 3-0.

Treasures Report:

We have spent \$155k on our roads. The budget is \$209k. Cash balance is \$166k. Payroll will be processed by 7/31. Reminder to everyone to complete Freedom of Information reading on State of Maine website. Consider using Visa and MasterCard to start, if necessary add Amex and Apple pay etc. We will need to make one chargeback fee of around 3%. Clariant is a company in Fryeburg for credit card readers. We have \$48k in ARPA money, we have allocated \$37,040 and have \$11,148 that has not yet been allocated for any project. **Selectman accept Treasurer's Report, 3-0**

Warrant approved for \$74,475.40 Approved 3-0

Open Issues: The additional \$11,148 of ARPA funds can be used for air conditioner to make the all-purpose room a cooling center. Selectman will look into the costs of a heat pump versus an air conditioning unit.

Painting has started in the hallway. Flooring was discussed, the vendor suggested we select the floating flooring that would reduce cracking. The baseboard will be replaced. A sealant will be included with the mop board.

Ray Ryan has an electrician to come and review the outdoor lighting, with motion/timer. The lighting will cover the parking lot and entrance.

New Business: The mailbox will be installed shortly. Ray Ryan will confirm that we have volunteer insurance that will cover these workers.

Public Comment:

Next meeting will be Tuesday August 9, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Minutes submitted by Nancy Boros