

# Town of Stow

Selectmen Meeting Minutes May 29, 2018

**Opening:** The Board of Selectmen meeting was called to order at 6:00PM on May 29, 2018 in Stow by John Plowden.

**Present: Selectmen:** John Plowden, Ray Ryan, and Margaret Robbins **Town Clerk:** Christine Carone  
**Treasurer/Secretary:** Diana Davis **Road Agent:** **Residents:** Carrie Garland and Howard Allen

**Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was unanimously approved.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved.

**Town Clerk Business:** Chris will be sending 30 day notices this week for delinquent property taxes to notify tax payers that liens will be issued in 30 days on unpaid balances.

Ellen Guilford called the office and complained about the care of the cemeteries for the last few years. Also said her relative who was a veteran didn't get a flag. Selectmen asked Chris to call her back and explain that we have just hired a new person to take care of the cemeteries and the Town has to be notified by the family of a veteran to get on the list to ensure that they will get a flag.

Someone has called and voiced interest into a small piece of land the Town owns in Chatham, NH.

**Treasurer Business:** Diana reported that she called the individual that still has not reimbursed the Town for a check returned for NSF. She gave him until the end of the week to pay or otherwise the Town will need to pursue other means to demand payment.

**Open Issue:** John will contact Oxford County to see what needs to be done to continue being NIMS compliant.

**New Business:** Howard Allen has been hired to mow and take care of the cemeteries and Town Office.

MMA Risk Management sent the Town an award for 25 years of Workers Comp and 27 years of Property and Casualty.

A letter will be drafted by Margaret to a property owner who has built a structure without any permits. They will be asked to contact the office and the Code Enforcement Officers to get proper permits and pay fees.

**Roads:** The selectmen have been notified that the Ezra Heald Bridge on Deer Hill Rd is in need of repair and it's the Town's responsibility. The selectmen will make phone calls to get prices for what needs to be done.

Deer Hill Rd needs more material on it.

John has spoken to Carl Drew about becoming the Town's Road Agent. He would do the job for \$30.00 @ hour and has equipment and manpower to do the job. He will come to a selectmen's meeting to talk it over and selectmen will write a contract with specifications expected.

The snow contract needs to be revised and then advertised to accept bids. Ray took a copy of the old contract to start the process.

The winter sand and salt needs to be ordered soon. John will call to become the contact person to order salt.

John got prices from Warren Excavation to cut the brush in ditches. He charges \$125.00 @ hour for machine with an operator. To do the entire Town it would take estimated 120 hours. To do just Union Hill Road it would cost \$7000.00.

Warrant #10 was amended from \$13,961.69 to \$13,060.69 due to a mistake in amount owed to Workers Comp.

Warrant #11 for \$7,886.19 was approved and signed.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM by John Plowden. The next selectmen's meeting will be held at 6:00PM on Monday, June 11, 2018.

Minutes submitted by: Diana Davis