

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN
WILLIAMSTOWN SELECTBOARD MEETING
April 10, 2023 – PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

Present: Larry Hebert, Scott McCarthy, Chris Wade, Clayton Woodworth

Town Manager, Jackie Higgins

Call to Order: Larry called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Set the Agenda: Changes to the agenda to add ARPA Request from WYSA and remove Selectboard Appointments and Hebert Housing Project.

Review of Open Public Comments:

Selectboard Announcements: Larry spoke on behalf of Chris P.'s absence from the meeting with Health issues.

Public Announcements: Rodney Graham requested an update from the Orange County Sheriff with current contract. Jackie has been updated with Road logs and the current contract is being honored until July 1, 2023.

Commissions/Committees/Trustees/Other Board Announcements: Horace Duke updated on the Williamstown Food Pantry closing on April 15th for repair work at the church. Food Pantry should be open the following weekend.

Williamstown Recreation Board submitted layout for the Pavilion placement as well as requested the section of fencing by Beckett Street be taken down for the pavilion building purposes. All board members agreed with the layout as well as the removal of the fence.

Approve Payroll Warrant and SB Warrants: Clayton made the motion to approve Warrants SB22035, SB22036, SB22037, SB22038 also Payroll Warrant 3/30/2023 & 4/10/2023. Scott seconded. So moved.

Selectboard Meeting Minutes: Clayton made the motion to approve the SB Meeting Minutes from 3/13/2023 as written. Scott seconded. So moved.

Town Manager's Report: See attached.

New Business:

Road Reclassification Discussion: After some discussion, Selectboard members planned site visits to view the purposed streets (Clark Rd., Hulbert Rd., Farnham Rd., McDonald Rd., Grandview Rd.). Site visits for June 12th at 6pm and hearing for homeowners at the June 12, 2023 meeting.

Ainsworth Public Library Trustee's Agreement: Chris W. made the motion to accept the changes to the purposed agreement of section 7 & 18. Scott seconded it. So moved.

Downtown Designation Resolution: Rich Turner spoke on behalf of the Planning Commission to add the boundary of the town plan to include Veteran's Memorial Park and continue the application for the Downtown Designation. Scott made the motion to approve the boundary and continue the application. Clayton seconded. So moved.

Town Garage Update: Chris W. updated the board on the bid process and wanted to look to the Selectboard for some guidance on the next steps for the process. Larry questioned the possibility of restoring or fixing the building. Could ARPA funding be used to repair as well as build?

Scott asked what the Road Crew will use in lieu of a building while the new building is being built.

Larry requested the balances of the bonds that the town has on the different buildings from the Town Manager.

Dollar General 2nd Class Liquor License & Tobacco License: Scott made the motion to approve the requested licenses. Clayton seconded. So moved.

ARPA Request for WYSA: Discussion about field lighting, maintenance, electric bill, etc. Chris Dessureau stated that the town doesn't own the land that the funding is being requested for and that the funding should be put toward the Town Garage project to help keep taxes down for the residents. Discussion was tabled.

Around the Table: Chris W. thanked the Williamstown Fire Department & Lisa St. Lawrence for their efforts with the Easter Egg Hunt for the town residents.

Executive Session: N/A

Adjourn: Scott made the motion to adjourn, Chris W. seconded. So moved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Keys

Larry Hebert

Clayton Woodworth

Chris Peloquin

Scott McCarthy

Chris Wade