

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTOWN  
WILLIAMSTOWN SELECTBOARD MEETING  
May 08, 2023 – PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING

**Present:** Larry Hebert, Clayton Woodworth, Chris Wade, Scott McCarthy, Chris Peloquin (via remote)

Town Manager, Jackie Higgins

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

**Set the Agenda:** Larry made the amendments to the agenda to add Hoyt-Seaver Field discussion and Health Officer Resignation. Scott made the motion to amend the agenda. Clayton seconded. So moved.

**Review of Open Public Comments**

**Selectboard Announcements:**

**Public Announcements:**

**Commissions/Committees/Trustees/Other Board Announcements:** Megan Keys spoke on behalf of the WRB Color Run event. The event was a great success with 157 runners and several families and friends at the finish line of Hoyt-Seaver Field to celebrate at the end and finished the morning with Green Up around town.

**Approve Payroll Warrant and SB Warrants:** Chris W. made the motion to approve Warrants SB22039, SB22036, SB22040, SB22041, SB22042, SB22043, SB22044 and Payroll Warrants 4/23/2023 & 5/7/2023. Clayton seconded. During discussion, Chris P. questioned the invoicing from Scott McCarthy regarding work on the Pavilion project. Scott stated that there would be separate invoices for concrete as well as excavation. So moved.

**Selectboard Meeting Minutes:** Clayton made the motion to approve Selectboard meeting minutes from 4/10/2023 & 5/1/2023 as written. Chris W. seconded, Chris P. abstained. So moved.

**Town Manager's Report:** See attached

**New Business:**

**Steve Quenneville – Driveway Permits Construction Hill & Seaver Road Revisions Request:** Mr. Quenneville presented the plans from engineer to have the conditions removed from the original proposal that was approved in July 2021. After some discussion, the Selectboard denied the request for Mr. Quenneville's project.

**Hoyt-Seaver Field Baseball Diamond Discussion:** Ivan Leblanc and Jane Joslyn spoke to the Selectboard regarding the removal of the baseball diamond at Hoyt-Seaver Field. The Williamstown Recreation Board requested to remove the jock mix from the diamond in June 2022, and offer it to WYSA as it was purchased by them to use for their fields at Saldi. After lengthy discussions, Clayton suggested taking up the jock mix and painting lines on the ground for a baseball diamond, Chris W. agreed. Chris Dessureau requested that the discussion be tabled until the meeting can be warned with the discussion on the agenda. Chris W. made the motion to table the discussion until the July meeting so it can be publicly warned. Scott seconded. So moved.

**Town Garage Update:** On May 1<sup>st</sup> the Selectboard members, Town Manager & Road Foreman visited the South Royalton Garage to view the style and set up of their building. After discussion, Larry mentioned adding a 6 bay new structure and removing the addition on the old structure. Chris P. made the motion to request pricing to move forward with the surveying. Chris W. seconded. So moved.

**Nomadic Chef LLC – Liquor License Catering Permit:** Chris P. made the motion to approve the license. Chris W. seconded. So moved.

**Nelson Lyford – Palas Road Class 4 Road Funding Request:** Clayton made the motion to approve the \$1,000 request. Chris P. seconded. So moved.

**Health Officer Resignation:** Chris P. made the motion to accept the letter of resignation from the current Health Officer, Chris W. seconded. So moved. Effective immediately.

**Old Business:**

**ARPA Funding:** Larry discussed the bonds that the town has and how much time is left on them, as well as the different allocations for ARPA Funding. He spoke regarding the possibility of allocating funds to WYSA for field lighting and stipulations attached. (See attached). Cote said that he would take the numbers to his board to see if it will work for them with the stipulations. Jackie mentioned the lighting poles being donated to use at the fields. Horace Duke asked if the ARPA funding could be used for the “Welcome to Williamstown” signs. Jackie spoke regarding the revamping of the signs as a current project.

**Around the Table:** Chris W. mentioned how nice the Bergmont & Amor projects are coming along and really adding to the town. Larry requested the removal of the “No Parking” signs on Beckett Street for the business owners. Discussion was tabled by Chris W. and seconded by Clayton. So moved.

**Executive Session:** n/a

**Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn at 9:15pm by Chris W. and Clayton seconded. So moved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Keys



Larry Hebert



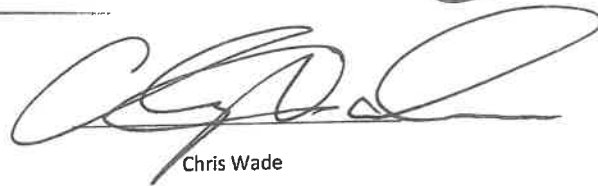
Clayton Woodworth



Chris Piroquin



Scott McCarthy



Chris Wade