

PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES

6-14-2023

Members Present: Herb Bates, Vondell Dunphy, Dave Gilbert, & Jo-Ann Brown.

Present: Gail Jones, Dave Leavitt, Garth Norris, Cooper & Alexia Marden.

6:00 pm – Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Herb Bates - Flag Salute

Announcements: RSU Budget passed.

Reports:

Sexton/Cemeteries – Vondell has spoken to Bonnie Greenwood re: Land for addition to cemetery. Is now going to contact surveyor.

Planning Board – Dave Leavitt updated the Board on Planning Board business. Permit has been issued for Poulin Subdivision on Main Street. Domonski property on Main Street is going out to auction. Interested buyer had questions for Planning Board re: having a business there. Compliance issues will have to be addressed, (tires, boundary issue, garage on line).

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Minnesota Supreme court decision concerning sale of Tax Acquired property may affect bid sales in Maine. Excess realized from sale of property will go back to previous owner. The legislature will probably be addressing this at some point. SW Cole had to delay sampling on the Gale Road due to wet conditions. Gilman's plan to replace boiler pipes the week after the fourth of July. Have file cabinet to dispose of due to rearranging office for new cabinet for archives. Have had a couple of complaints re: flags on telephone poles due to not being lit a night. Received a written notification (Attached) of trees on South Ridge in danger of coming down on power lines. Somerset County Registrar of Deeds is resigning. Municipal Officials will be caucusing to appoint temporary replacement. Looking for people interested in position. KVCOG budget is insufficient.

Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Vondell to accept minutes of last meeting as written, Dave second. Vote – AIF
- Discussion on access to the Town Office. Due to security of State Property (registrations, stickers, plates, voting records, vital statistics) that Town Clerks are responsible for and access to computers, keys to the office have always been limited to office employees. The panel to the fire alarm system is located in the office. Twice in the last 8 years office personnel have been called in to silence the alarm due to children pulling an alarm in the building during off hours. Dave made a motion to issue Select Board Members keys to the office, Jo-Ann second. AIF
- Dave made a motion to seek bids to replace culverts on Spring Hill, Vondell second. These are large culverts that we do not have the equipment for the job. Vote – AIF

New Business:

- Dave made a motion to hire Curry electric to replace Gym Lights, Vondell second. Existing fixtures will be converted to LED. Vote – AIF
- Have had issues with vehicle use on the Railroad Bed which is meant for recreational use. Haley's Construction has agreed to donate Barriers to place at entrance points. Board greatly appreciates the offer and agrees this should be done.

- Dave made a motion to issue an abatement for \$105.50 to Olga Bobyseva, Jo-Ann second. Due to an error in processing a transfer many years ago property has been assessed to more acreage than should have been. Select Boards are allowed to go back 3 years to correct an error in assessment. Vote – AIF Abatement signed by the Board
- Residents of South Ridge Road have issues with driveways lower than the road after last year's paving and would like the town to address this.

Payroll & AP Warrants signed

Meeting Adjourned 7:38

Respectfully Submitted

Priscilla Jones