

PALMYRA SELECT BOARD MINUTES

2-9-2022

Members Present: Brian Barrows, Vondell Dunphy, Dave Gilbert, Herbert Bates & Jo-Ann Brown.

Present: David Leavitt, Mike & Donna Cray, Tonya Bowden, Paula Scott, Jerry Sawtelle, Donald Gage.

6:00 pm – Meeting called to order by Chairman Barrows, Flag Salute.

Opened Bids for Tax Acquired Property. Received one bid for each property. Tonya Bowden bid \$4500 for 868 Main Street, and Paula Scott bid \$1300 for land on the Scott Road.

Jo-Ann made a motion to accept bid for 868 Main Street, Dave second. AIF

Jo- Ann made a motion to accept bid for Scott Road, Vondell second. AIF

Deposits received with bids, Paula Scott left checks for remainder of bid. Board also agreed to allow Paula Scott to redeem another tax acquired lot that abuts her property. Lots should be combined. Tonya will be in to pay remainder of her bid. Quit Claim Deeds will be issued.

Reports:

Public Works – Herb brought up issue of overtime and comp time. With storms this winter a lot of hours are being accrued. 81 hours is the limit on Comp time to be earned. Board didn't think it necessary for employees to take time off if work was done to avoid paying overtime. Herb asked if it was OK for him to go out to plow if necessary. Will check on insurance. Would like to have motion sensor light for Salt Sand Shed to avoid light being left on.

Planning Board - Dave Leavitt reported Home Town Health Center receive permit. Would like to have monthly report on status of BD Solar project and copies of CEO Reports.

Administrative Assistant/Treasurer – Annual Treasurers Statement and 2022 Statement to date submitted. Tank for Fire Suppression System in Kitchen is below workable pressure. Will cost \$500 to rebuild tank, more for a new tank. Mike Cray mentioned possible funds available from PCC Boosters. Have not yet made a decision on Jerry's Health Insurance.

6:38 Motion by Dave to go into Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA, Section 405, subsection 6(A) – for Employee matter with Jerry, Herb second. AIF

6:53 Dave made a motion to come out of Executive Session, Herb second. AIF

Herb made a motion to remove probation status for Jerry Sawtelle, Dave second. Jerry has been working for the Town part-time since 2018. Vote – AIF Jerry may now apply for Health Insurance.

Unfinished Business:

- Motion by Dave to accept minutes of last meeting as written, Jo-Ann second. 4 in Favor. Vondell did not attend meeting.
- Jo-Ann made a motion to continue with the Waterville Animal Shelter, Dave second. Change in employee at the shelter will hopefully improve the situation there. Vote- AIF

New Business:

- Guys will be here Friday to install new cameras at Community Center and Garage.

Meeting Adjourned 7:07

Respectfully Submitted
Priscilla Jones

Continued work on 2022 Budget

May have special Select Board Meeting next Wednesday if information is ready to work on finalizing Warrant for Town Meeting.