

Town of Dixfield

Board of Selectmen

Monday, September 9th, 2019

5:30 pm

Ludden Memorial Library

Selectmen:

All Present: Norine Clarke, Aaron Jamison, Montell Kennedy, Peter Holmon, Norman Mitchell

Town Manager:

Dustin Starbuck

Town Citizens:

Don Lutick, Grason Child, Royal Swan, Dan McKay

Vistors: Chris Brennick

Press: WVAC

Bruce Farrin

1 Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance

2 Special Town Meeting:

T.M. Mr. Starbuck states the town had elected to have the taxes due September 15th, 2019. Due to the school budget, set date won't work. If nothing is done, the board would have put things into account. Articles 1 and 2:

1 - Moderator > Mr. Davis makes a motion to appoint Mr. Holmon as the moderator. Mr Royal Swan and Mr. Dan McKay second.

T.M. Mr. Starbuck swears Mr. Holmon in as the moderator

2 - Fixed Date > 1st half (Nov. 1st) and second half (April 16th)

3 Agenda Adjustments:

Add Mr. Brennick as the first item under agenda item number 8 New Business.

Add numbers 21 and 22 under approval of warrants and payroll

4 Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes - July 22, 2019

Mrs. Clarke states Bruce Farrin should be written under press instead of under town citizens. Mr. Davis states he was present as the selectmen on July 22, 2019 and not Aaron Jamison.

Mr. Kennedy makes a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes date July 22, 2019. Mr. Davis seconds. (5-0) Vote Unanimous

5 Approval of Warrants and Payroll:

a Accounts Payable Warrant #'s: 14, 16, 18, 20

Added: 21 and 22

b Payroll Warrant #'s 15, 17, 19

c Water/Sewer Warrant #'s: 1, 18

Mr. Kennedy makes a motion to approve the warrants and payroll as adjusted. Mr. Holmon seconds. (5-0) Vote Unanimous.

6 Department Head Reports:

a Police Department: Could not make it due to a court appearance. Plans to attend next meeting, Sept. 23rd.

b Public Works Department:

Mr. Randy Glover states Hall Hill is completed and it didn't cost any more than expected. Currently ditching in East Dixfield. There is also a hold in Holmes's parking lot with the assumption of an under drain.

Mr. Mitchell asks if there are any plans for Ridge Road

Mr. Glover states there is not enough money this year but knows it definitely needs work.

T.M. Mr. Starbuck suggests setting up a roads committee meeting. Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Holmon agree to attend on Wednesday, 18th of September at 9am.

Discussion on McGouldrick Park - T.M. Mr. Starbuck states that Randy did a pricing the repairing of the ice rink concluding the amount of \$1600.

Mr. Mitchell makes a motion to withdraw \$1600 out of the McGouldrick Park fund to pay in repairing the ice rink. Mr. Holmon seconds. (4-1) Mr. Davis opposes.

7 Old Business:

a Harlow Park sign:

Design passed around the select board as well as the members of the audience. The town would pay for half (will be taken out of the Harlow Park fund) and the school would pay for the other half.

b Engine Brake sign - East Dixfield

T.M. Mr. Starbuck states 1st, a speed study is to take place and 2nd, the town will be receiving a radar for speed (speed monitor) for free which records the amount of traffic as well as their speed.

Mr. Holmon makes a motion to buy engine brake signs. Mr. Mitchell seconds. (5-0) Vote Unanimous.

8 New Business:

Added item:

Chris Brennick introduces himself to the board as the chairman of the board of Rumford. He is proposing for the town of Dixfield to possibly be apart of the idea of a rec. center organized by the surrounding towns. Looking at a regional recreation in the area and what it looks like. Age groups 2- 92. There will be

meeting September 25th at 6pm at the Rumford Town Hall. There are many ideas and would like for Dixfield to be included.

a Crown Victoria Bids

Two bids for the cop car:

John Sylvester - \$325

Effren Toothacher (?**) - \$367.10

Mr. Davis makes a motion to approve Mr. Toothacher to buy the car for \$367.10. Mr. Holmon seconds. (5-0) Vote Unanimous.

b Errin Smith resignation from Rec Board

T.M. Mr. Starbuck states Errin turned in his resignation and there is now an opening on the board.

Mr. Kennedy makes a motion to approve Mr. Errin's resignation. Mr. Davis seconds. (5-0) Vote Unanimous.

c Chason Water abatement:

Suffered a leak and asking for an abatement for water and sewer.

Mr. Holmon makes a motion to return 50% as is fair. Mr. Mitchell seconds. (5-0) Vote Unanimous.

d Mexico Water Contract

Runs out at the end of the year

3% increase every year for three years

Monthly fee

T.M. Mr. Starbuck will contact and ask if they're willing to meet for negotiations

9 Other Business: None

10 Public Correspondence: Papertalk

Piere Dymont writes an apology for plain box causing bomb scare.

11 Public Comment: None

12 Board Questions/Comments:

Mrs. Clarke says the town had a successful outdoor market.

13 Next Meeting: Monday, September 23, 2019 at 5:30 pm downstairs in the Ludden Memorial Library

14 Executive Session:

a Pursuant to 1 MRS 405 (6) (F)

b Pursuant to 1 MRS 405 (6) (C)

c Pursuant to 1 MRS 405 (6) (D)

Mr. Davis makes a motion to go into executive session

Mr. Mitchell seconds (5-0) Vote Unanimous.

15 Adjournment: