



Pittston Select Board Meeting Minutes

March 23, 2022

Those present: Jean Ambrose, Kerri Farris, Jane Hubert, Wellman Cromwell, Colleen Pilsbury, Sam Snow, Deb Barry and Deb MacInnes.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Jean Ambrose at 5:30 p.m.

Jean Ambrose stated that Rodney Hembree did a fine job while being on the Select Board and did some good work. Jean Ambrose then warmly welcomed Jane Hubert to the Select Board.

The three Selectpersons voted for the Chair of the Select Board. Kerri Farris is the new Chair of the Select Board. The vote was 2 votes for Kerri Farris and 1 vote for Jean Ambrose.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to approve the Select Board meeting minutes of March 16, 2022. Kerri Farris 2nd. It was a 2-0-1 vote.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to approve preview warrant #12 in the amount of \$11,979.79. Jane Hubert 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote.

Jane Hubert made a motion to approve payroll warrant #1222 in the amount of \$3,984.48, as printed. Jean Ambrose 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote.

The checkbook balance is \$1,434,487.93

Colleen Pilsbury, Tax Collector/Treasurer, explained the tax acquired property on 14 Webb Road. The Town Attorney has stated that this property is ready to be sold. Jane Hubert made a motion to proceed with the sealed bid process for this tax acquired sale. Kerri Farris 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote.

The Building Ordinance of the Town of Pittston and the Ordinance Regarding Medical Cannabis were signed.

Appointment papers were signed.

A discussion was held in regards to email addresses for the Select Board members. Sheldon Arford, of Maine Computer Services, spoke with Jean Ambrose and sent an email stating he did not believe it to make sense for the members to have individual email accounts and explained why. Kerri Farris called Sheldon to see what the change in his recommendations were. A meeting will be set up for Sheldon to come speak with all the members at the same time to discuss this topic. This agenda item was tabled until after a meeting with Sheldon.



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Two proposals from St. Germain were reviewed. They are for engineering and permitting services for the culvert grants. One for the Blodgett Road and the other for the Pinkham Road. A discussion was held in regards to who would do the construction work for these projects. Doing these projects in-house saved the Town thousands of dollars. Sam Snow can do the jobs using material from the Town pit and only charging State rates for the work. Jean Ambrose made a motion to sign the St. Germain Engineering proposal contracts. Jane Hubert 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote. Jane Hubert made a motion to have Sam Snow do the construction work on the Blodgett Road project. Jean Ambrose 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote.

Sam Snow, Road Commissioner, stated that he would like to get the paving bids out right away. Sam would like to have about 4 miles of paving done to include the Lancaster Road, Warren Road, Hanley Road the north end of the Palmer Road and the south end of the Nash Road if there is enough money.

Sam Snow started the repair work on the Jewett Road. Sam will call to have it repaved when the paving plants open.

There was a washout on the Blinn Hill Road due to a plugged culvert. It was fixed.

Gravel was hauled to the Patterson Road for a muddy place.

The roads will stay posted until the normal date of May 15th unless the weather straightens out.

North Beech Hill Road was talked about.

Sam Snow called Grimmels to haul away the old nasty culverts stored at the shed.

The Cyber Policy was discussed. The application was submitted. The renewal date for the Town insurance is July 1, 2022. There is a need for a policy and use agreement.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to sign Sheldon Arford's, Maine Computer Services, contract. Jane Hubert 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote.

GoDaddy email was discussed. The discussion is to change to GoDaddy from GovOffice.

Jean Ambrose made a motion to switch to GoDaddy for the 3-year quote from Sheldon (Arford). Jane Hubert 2nd. It was a 3-0 vote.

There will be a Select Board work session on April 7th at 11:00 a.m. and will be posted. Another work session will be set up with date and time to be determined.

