



Town of Dublin
Select Board Meeting
Tuesday August 3, 2021

4:30 PM in person and via Zoom

In attendance: Chris Raymond, Carole Monroe, Susan Peters, Pam Cox, Jim Beeler, Jerry Branch, Jay Schechter, Judy Knapp, Bob Hayden, Ashley Saari, Wendy White, Tom Kennedy and K and Tom Vanderbilt

Selectmen review of and the correspondence file, payroll and accounts payable

CALL TO ORDER: Chris Raymond called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

SELECTMANS BUSINESS:

1. **Beeler-property line discussion-carport**-Jim Beeler came in to discuss the placement of his carport and the next steps to remove it from Town property. Discussion ensued about three items, the carport, water access and the horse shoe pit. The Board thanked Jim for helping to maintain the land and for the use of his dock. Three of the pins need to be reset although they were not removed by the Beelers. Jim presented a plan, having met with the building inspector the day before. Mike Borden, Building Inspector told him the carport would not meet the setback and he would need a variance. Mr. Beeler will begin that process. Mr. Beeler is willing to pay half of the survey costs including pin replacement in the amount of approximately \$1,300. The Conservation Commission advised that the horse shoe pit could stay on Town property at this time. Jim's boats will be moved to allow clear public water access.
2. **Bob Hayden Standard Power**-Bob explained the concept of Community Power; electricity is purchased in bulk thereby lowering the cost. The delivery costs remain the same and are provided through Eversource. Renewable energy can be selected with this purchasing structure and the benefits were discussed. House Bill 315 is waiting to be signed by the Governor and this will support the aggregation of electric customers and municipal host customers. Bob reviewed the features of the plan and also shared that the bills will look the same as the savings are on the supply line. The community can design what kind of energy they would like to have and Memorandum of Understanding is used to create the relationship between the Town and the power broker. The first step in the process is to form a committee; Standard Power is willing do the community survey and then present the plan. Once a draft plan is formulated, a vote at the Town Meeting is required for moving forward.

3. **Fire Department-Monthly update**-Chief Vanderbilt reported that things are going well in the department. The recent flooding was not very impactful in Dublin. The purchase of a new, replacement 12-lead machine, whose serviceable life will expire in 2022 was briefly discussed; relatively soon. K reported that they closed out the Local Emergency Operations Plan grant and training for the Warm Zone Grant is Saturday.
4. **Transfer Station-Tom Kennedy-Monthly update**-Andy Hungerford is working as the project manager for the new building. Recycling is better but Tom is still struggling with people who do not dispose of things where they belong. The Town is advertising for an additional worker, discussion ensued about a competitive wage as the hiring pool is very small. The new roof on the swap shop is completed. Pay per bag is an option that might increase recycling; this would be a warrant article and Tom will ask the Recycling Committee for input.
5. **Sidewalk proposal for 101**-Phillip Gammons-Phil has observed that there is a lot of foot traffic on Rt 101 creating a safety issue. He would like a sidewalk from the Village Park to the General Store. Neighbors are in support of this. Discussion ensued about possible funding options that could be explored. The Select Board will research this further.
6. **Approval of the Minutes from July 20, 2021**- Carole made a motion to accept the minutes as amended; Susan seconded. Roll call vote: Carole, yes; Susan; yes, Chris; yes.
7. **Approval of the Non Public Minutes from July 20, 2021**-Carole made a motion to accept the minutes as written; Susan seconded. Roll call vote: Carole, yes; Susan; yes, Chris; yes.
8. **Burial Plot Deed-#374-Rogers**-signed by the Board
9. **Building Permit**-signed by the Board
 - Map 5 Lot 14-129 Main Street
10. **Land Use Change Tax**-signed by the Board
 - Map 3 Lot 48 Sub 1
 - Map 3 Lot 48
 - Map 6 Lot 15
11. **Miscellaneous-**
 - **Invitation to the Historical Society Centennial Celebration**-1-3pm; Saturday, August 7th at the Historical Society.
 - **Special Election**-Covid-19 protocols will have to be observed. Polls are open from 8 am to 7 pm. The Primary will be on September 7th.
 - **Post Office**-a citizen asked for clarification about who is responsible for cleaning the post office. The Board explained that the Postal Service is a tenant and responsible for cleaning their rented space.

12. **GOFFER Grant authorization**-Carole made a motion to authorize Town Administrator, Kate Fuller to be the grants agent and signer. Chris seconded. Roll call vote: Carole, yes; Susan; yes, Chris; yes.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

NON-PUBLIC:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chris made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:46 PM, seconded by Carole. Roll call vote: Chris, yes; Carole, yes; Susan, yes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Katherine M. Fuller

Chris Raymond

Carole Monroe

Susan Peters