

**Georgia Selectboard
Regular Meeting
Chris Letourneau Meeting Room
Monday, June 10, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

Approved: Approved

Present: Selectboard: Matt Crawford, Deb Woodward, Tara Wright, Steve Lamos, and Jason Burt; Mike McCarthy, Town Administrator; Amber Baker, Town Treasurer; Bill Hinman, Town Assessor; Todd Cadieux, Road Commissioner.

Matt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Matt asked for any additions, deletions or changes to the agenda. The following additions were made: 1). Warrants for approval: PR24, AP37, AP38, AP39. 2). Franklin County Sheriff's office Activity Report for May 2019. 3). Town Clerk information report, presented by Town Treasurer Amber baker. Fee Change notice effective July 1, 2019, Quote from Bouchard Office Services for network cabling, quote for two-year cost for new Assistant Clerk computer / scanner setup. 4). Treasurer Report. 1). Assistant Town Clerk required to be in Municipal Retirement Plan. 2). Library legal costs to date. 3). Town legal expenses as of 6-10-2019. 5). Library Safety Audit Report. 6). Request from Fire Chief for Selectboard to authorize moving probationary firefighters Todd Cadieux and Curtis Boudreau to firefighter 2 status effective June 10, 2019.

7:02 P.M. Motion by Deb to go in to executive session, for a legal issue, with the Town Assessor Bill Hinman, seconded by Steve. All in favor.

Mr. Hinman left the meeting at 7:18 P.M.

Road Commissioner Todd Cadieux joined the executive session at 7:20 P.M.

7:39 P.M.; Town Employee Robert Quesnel entered the executive session.

7:47 P.M. Motion by Deb, seconded by Steve to leave executive session. All in favor.

No action out of executive session. Re-entered regular meeting.

Road Commissioner Todd Cadieux gave his report regarding possible heating sources for the highway garage building. Estimate of \$20,000 to replace the wood boiler and it would need a two year supply of seasoned wood to operate correctly and safely.

After discussion, the Selectboard requested the Town Administrator to contact Mr. Brian Haas of VIS to have VIS develop some heating alternatives and estimates of cost for the highway department building. Discussion with Mr. Cadieux also resulted in direction to the Town Administrator to contact Vermont Agency of Transportation representatives for alternatives, funding and or resources to assist the Town with mitigating damage to our Skunk Hill Road and Arrowhead Lake Road beginning as soon as possible due to the increased traffic from the bridge problem on Vt. Rt. 104A.

Discussion regarding the intersection of Georgia Shore Road and Cline Road resulted in a motion by Steve to authorize the spending of no more than \$800 to complete the striping of this intersection as recommended by the Agency of Transportation engineers. Seconded by Jason. All in favor.

Further discussion regarding the condition of a culvert on Reynolds Road and another one on Silver Lake Woods Road resulted in a request to have the Chair of the Conservation Commission, Suzanna Brown, meet with the Selectboard on a later date and discuss options and costs for the culvert project on Silver Lake Road.

Mr. Cadieux addressed the issue of plowing the school yards and the associated cost and time involved. Discussion was held with no action taken.

Mr. Cadieux inquired regarding capital budgeting for next year to begin planning the possible purchase of a new truck in 2020. Mr. Crawford advised that the budget planning Mr. Cadieux submitted was what the Town went with for the highway department capital budget and will probably be what will be finally accepted when the entire capital budget is complete.

The Town Administrator advised that Mr. Cadieux presented a cost estimate for repair of a portion of one wall at the fire station that was damaged by falling ice and snow. Motion by Deb, seconded by Steve to approve the expenditure of \$530 to make these repairs. All in favor.

The Town Administrator advised that there is a request from Fire Chief Keith Baker in the agenda for this meeting to approve the acceptance of firefighters Todd Cadieux and Curtis Boudreau as firefighter 2 certified firefighters. This request was addressed at this time with Mr. Cadieux present. Motion by Deb to approve firefighters Cadieux and Boudreau as firefighter 2, Seconded by Steve. All in favor. The Selectboard congratulates both Todd and Curtis for their achievement and thank them for their dedication to complete this over 800 hours of training required for the certification.

There was a request from Mr. Cadieux to rent the use of a roadside mower for this season at a cost not to exceed \$3,200. Motion by Steve to allow the rental of the roadside mower for \$3,200, seconded by Deb. All in favor.

Discussion was held regarding the PACIF grant received for electrical safety improvements at the highway garage.

Mr. Cadieux is scheduled to meet with the Selectboard again on July 8, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Mr. Cadieux and Mr. Quesnel left the meeting at 8:55 P.M.

Check warrants previously approved were reviewed. Check warrants for approval from regular agenda and additional items were reviewed and approved.

Tara made a request for monthly incoming revenue reports to be included in the Treasurers report.

Unapproved minutes from May 13, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved with minor changes noted.

There were no Selectboard concerns.

Town Treasurer Amber Baker provided the following information for the Town Clerk:

Fee changes for forms and recording effective July 1, 2019. The changes will be posted at the office Request for computer cabling update and system improvements approval. Cost \$5,545. We have \$3,600 in reserve funds and can fund the rest by holding off on purchase of a new computer for the Town Administrator until 2020. More quotes required? After discussion, motion by Steve to approve the purchase, seconded by Jason. All in favor.

Request to add a second recording station for the new Assistant Town Clerks position. This will cost an additional \$40 per month this year. After discussion and review, motion by Deb, seconded by Jason to approve. All in favor.

Notice that the Town Clerks office will be closed on Wednesday June 26, 2019 from 11-3 for a meeting. The Town of Coventry is offering an outdoor 40'x80' skating rink setup for free if we come and pick it up. Discussion regarding storage, maintenance, setup costs ensued. Recommendation to engage Recreation Committee. Cost approximately \$800 per year for plastic lining. General consensus to table the discussion until recreation committee support is determined.

It was determined that the Town will have to pay retirement for the new Assistant Town Clerk's position which is a \$2,000 cost. New planning position will also require this as currently set up.

Treasurers Report:

Legal costs for library personnel issue to 4-30-19 is \$4,796.

Resurfacing tennis courts for \$4,500 quote at three-year mark of use. Bob recommends to do this repair. We have impact fees to cover this. Motion by Deb to approve the \$4,500, seconded by Steve. All in favor.

Sheriff's Department Activity Report and remaining General Correspondences reviewed. Question regarding perc test at Gilmond property. This will not happen until things dry out.

Unfinished business not previously covered in this meeting was reviewed.

New Business:

Sugarbush use fee was shown as paid in full for this year.

Request from NCSS for use of Town Recreation area for their annual Camp Rainbow from July 8 to July 12 and for a discount for use of the facility. Motion by Deb, seconded by Steve to approve with the requirement of the \$100 damage deposit as has been usual and customary. All in favor.

Repair work to Library septic system as budgeted and scheduled from last year was brought to the information of the Selectboard.

Georgia Mountain Road Class 4 Road agreement - Harrison. A draft of the agreement is complete for review and approval. Town Highway Commissioner Todd Cadieux has not yet reviewed this draft.

Request Selectboard review for their approval so this can be sent to the Harrisons. Harrisons have formed and registered a Homeowners Association as directed. Request from the Selectboard that Todd give it a full final review.

Motion by Steve, seconded b Jason to approve, with stipulation that Todd review and give his approval. All in favor.

General Correspondences were reviewed.

Selectboard and Town Administrator reviewed tasks and assignments required from this meeting.

Motion by Steve, seconded by Jason to go in to executive session for legal purposes at 9:30 P.M. All in favor.

Motion to leave executive session made by Steve at 9:55 P.M., seconded by Jason. All in favor. No action out of executive session.

Motion by Steve to adjourn at 9:58 P.M., seconded by Jason. All in favor.

Submitted by:

Michael R. McCarthy