

MINUTES
SELECT BOARD MEETING
Thursday, May 09, 2024

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Tim Burt (TB), Susan Ossoff (SO). Mark Avery (MA) was away.
OTHERS: Eric Fiegenbaum (EF), Deb Ahlstrom (DA)

CORRESPONDANCE

- A DRA letter on 2023 Total Equalized Valuations was reviewed.

SIGN: payroll

MINUTES: TB moved and SO seconded a motion to approve the minutes of 3/1, 3/4, and 5/2 (including nonpublic) as amended. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- SO moved and TB seconded a motion to approve Town Hall use for the MPL, Moharimet School and Gleske (fee waived for a memorial reception). Motion passed.
- SO moved and TB seconded a motion to approve a cemetery lot license (Section B, Lot 79) for Impervio. Motion passed.
- TB moved and SO seconded a motion to approve a Standard Veteran's credit, but not an All Veterans credit for Rockwell. Motion passed. The town has not adopted an All Veterans credit
- TB moved and SO seconded a motion to appoint Janet Wall to the Recreation Commission and the Water Resources Board. Motion passed. This action converted her ex officio membership to a regular membership.
- There was a discussion of topics for the Select Board's portion of the May Musing. TB offered to do some drafting with SO offering to edit. The topics included: change of terminology for Select Board and change of meeting days and times, new Road Agent announcement with photo, next steps for a DPW committee, Town Hall curtains, Fire Department study complete and available on the town website.
- DA will work on obtaining a Citizens Bank credit card for the Road Agent.

OLD BUSINESS

- After noting a desire for the cost of equipping a new cruiser to be factored into the Police Equipment Capital Reserve, TB moved and SO seconded a motion to approve \$15,888 for equipment for the new cruiser with funding to come from the Police Department operating budget. Motion passed. A budget adjustment may be needed in the future.
- There was a discussion on the purchase of a multipurpose tractor for Building and Grounds. TB moved and SO seconded a motion to approve expending \$21,726.04 from the Building and Grounds Capital Reserve for a multipurpose tractor and implements. Motion passed. The CIP for Building and Grounds equipment was adjusted out for the future purchase of mowers and a replacement pickup truck. It was noted that the current pickup needed a Town seal and proper safety lighting. DA will add a "training" line item in the highway budget.
- DA will inform the Fire Chief that the costs for a recent fire truck repair will be taken from the Fire Department operating budget for now.
- Disclaimer language was approved for the MRI fire study to explain that the recommendations in the report are not necessarily those of the Madbury Fire Chief or the Madbury Select Board.

- There was a review of upcoming meetings and potential guests, where there may be a need to have earlier start times to accommodate guests. Any change in timing will need to be posted. MA will be drafting an agenda outline for the departmental meeting on May 30, 2024.

BOARD UPDATES

- EF reported that Champernowne and Madbury Woods roads have been ground and paving is being scheduled. The new Road Agent, Mat Paugh, starts on Monday, May 13, 2024. There will be a transition period as the current Road Agent retires. It was suggested that Mat attend Select Board meetings on Fridays.

OTHER:

- None

Meeting ended at 9:47pm

Submitted by: *Eric Fiegenbaum*

Approved: 7-11-2024

On approved minutes, proof changes are noted through italics for additions and strikethroughs for deletions.