

MONKTON SELECTBOARD MEETING  
MONKTON TOWN HALL  
DATE: Monday September 9, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER:**

A. Layn called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

**ATTENDANCE**

**Members Present:** John McNerney, Anne Layn, Bill Martin, Marikate Kelley

**Members Absent:** Stephen Pilcher

**Others Present:** Ben Hollwedel (Highway Foreman), Betsy Brown (Recording Secretary),

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

There is a BCA meeting on Thursday 9/12/19 at 7:00pm

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

APPROVE MINUTES

**B. Martin moved to accept the minutes of August 26, 2019. M. Kelley seconded. Vote passed 3-0-1. J. McNerney abstained.**

REVIEW AND APPROVE CHECK WARRANTS

The following check warrants were reviewed and approved:

P/R #190830 \$10,616.25 08/30/2019

A/P #90909 \$3,547.63 09/09/2019

A/P #90905 \$44,037.72 09/05/2019

REVIEW AND APPROVE OVERWEIGHT PERMITS, ETC

The following overweight permits were reviewed and approved:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

PREVIEW OF STATES PRISON HOLLOW PROPOSAL

B. Hollwedel updated the Board on the proposed redesign of the intersection of States Prison Hollow Road and Monkton Ridge. The engineering firm of Dubois & King created the conceptual plan. The preferred plan involves moving the center line of States Prison Hollow Road southerly to create more of a “T” intersection. Some of the grades would be changed-there would be either a 20’ or a 25’ “landing zone” at the intersection. It was also discussed that whether or not closing the southern end of the library “driveway” would be feasible.

**J. McNerney moved to warn a special meeting of the Selectboard for a public presentation of the concept proposal for the redesign of the intersection of States Prison Hollow Road and Monkton Ridge Road on September 30th at 7pm, or other such date that the Selectboard Chair deems appropriate, at the Monkton Fire Station. B. Martin seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0-0.**

HIGHWAY UPDATE/ROAD CONDITIONS

B. Hollwedel gave an update on equipment issues. The Selectboard agreed to move ahead with a payment not to exceed \$69K for the new plow truck. B. Hollwedel also updated the Board on some of the factors leading to problems with the road conditions.

**B. Martin moved to go into executive session at 7:47pm to discuss a personnel issue. A. Layn seconded. The Board moved into executive session by a vote of 4-0-0.**

**B. Martin moved to leave the executive session at 8:19pm. J. McNerney seconded. All voted in favor 4-0-0.**

FOREST COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

J. McNerney noted that the Town Forest Committee created a draft mission statement and read it to the board (is available on the Committee’s page on the Town Website). The Selectboard agreed that the draft statement of purpose adequately described the mission of the committee.

RIGHT OF WAY PERMIT – CHAMPLAIN VALLEY WAITSFIELD TELCOM

M. Kelley moved to approve R.O.W. Permit Application for Waitsfield & Champlain Valley Telecom for 12 poles on Mountain Road between #2877 and #1268. B. Martin seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0-0.

RECYCLING CENTER ISSUES

M. Kelley spoke with George Parker and he will take a look at the decking at the Recycling Center. He is also investigating potential Eagle Scout projects. A. Layn spoke with R & L re: providing trash pickup at recycling - they just took over Salisbury and are busy, but are interested. A. Layn spoke with David Layn of the Monkton Vol. Fire Dept. about the trailer that is at the recycling center. The Fire Dept is planning on getting rid of it.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

SALVAGE YARDS IN MONKTON

B. Martin will check in with Kris Perlee for an update

TOWN OF MONKTON CHARTER

No action taken

RECLASSIFYING ROADS

No action taken

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

DETERMINE TIME/DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is September 23, 2019 at 7:00pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

**B. Martin made a motion to adjourn. M. Kelley seconded. All voted in favor. Motion passed 4-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Betsy Brown  
Recording Secretary

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