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MONKTON SELECTBOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Tuesday, April 25, 2023

Marikate Kelley opened the meeting for discussion only at 7:32pm. The online portion of the meeting experienced technical issues. An official meeting could not be held because the meeting was warned as a hybrid meeting.

Members in attendance: Paul Low, Walter Crandall, Marikate Kelley

Members absent: Stephen Pilcher, John McNerney

Others in attendance: Jessica Demeritt (recording secretary), Stan Wilbur, Debbie Houghton, Randy Charbonneau, Tom Steadman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

none

REGULAR BUSINESS:

APPROVE MINUTES

no action taken

REVIEW AND APPROVE CHECK WARRANTS

no action taken

REVIEW AND APPROVE OVERWEIGHT PERMITS, ETC.

The following overweight permits were reviewed and approved:

WHITETAIL LANDSCAPING AND EXCAVATING INC

S & J STEARNS INC.

SCOTT PIDGEON

S DENTON EXCAVATING INC

MCELWAIN CONTRACTING

FEDEX FREIGHT INC

AMERIGAS

J&J PINNELL TRUCKING LLC

LEWIS EXCAVATING LLC

DRISCOLL BROTHERS EXCAVATING LLC

HENRY EXCAVATING LLC

MIKE MORSE TRUCKING LLC

CONANT TRUCKING LLC

ROSS ORVIS

T & C TRUCKING LLC

GARY MOULTON

ARNOLD BLAIR / BLAIRS FORESTRY HAULING

CLAIRE LATHROP BAND MILL INC / LATHROP FOREST PRODUCTS

ELEVATION EXCAVATION & SEPTIC SERVICES

SARGENT CONCRETE AND CONSTRUCTION LLC

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BROWNS CERTIFIED WELDING INC.
CASELLA WASTE SYSTEMS, INC

FACILITY USE REQUEST

P. Low said there were none.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Since Jan of 2023, R. Charboneau said he has asked for information which he has not received. He is researching delinquent tax reports. He is an auditor of the town doing this research on his own time. He read a statement regarding his efforts. M. Kelley asked if what he needed was read only access to the town reports on his own behalf. She asked if the town auditors were in agreement with these issues. R. Charboneau replied they wondered why he had not received the information. M. Kelley suggested that the auditors could maybe ask for the information. R. Charboneau said the info was supposed to be public information.

Commented [1]: John, do you want to include his statement in the minutes?

T. Steadman said he came to the meeting to discuss appointments. He was expressing interest again in being the delinquent tax collector in Monkton; he currently holds that position in Ferrisburg. He discussed the treasurer position and the qualifications required. P. Low spoke about how the Selectboard was working on how to make the individuals and the positions all work. M. Kelley said she appreciated T. Steadman expressing interest in the treasurer and/or the delinquent tax collector positions.

D. Houghton said she was interested in serving on ANAC or the Forest Committee. She expressed her interest in land stewardship. She is willing to work as a volunteer for fundraising for the possible town forest.

NEW BUSINESS:

OPEN DOOR CLINIC REQUEST FOR ARPA FUNDS

There was discussion about specifics regarding the request for funds.

MUNICIPAL ROAD GRANTS IN AID PARTICIPATION

P. Low signed as the liaison to the highway department a letter of intent to participate only, not a contract or agreement.

ADDISON COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS MUTUAL AGREEMENT

P. Low said all the surrounding towns in Addison County are banding together for support during emergency situations. It was compared to NATO. It was noted that Bristol, Lincoln, and Starksboro were not currently enrolled. W. Crandall asked if anyone knew why those towns had not signed the agreement. S. Wilbur said he could ask someone to come speak to the matter.

APPOINTMENTS

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no action taken

PERSONNEL POLICY

M. Kelley said it would probably not be completed until the lacrosse season was over in June.

LOWER PARKING LOT AT TOWN OFFICES

P. Low said until the funds are secured for the project, quotes would be put on hold.

BEAVERS

P. Low said the Boro Hill issue has been complex and is a work in progress. He has spent a lot of time speaking with the state, the landowner, and the contractor. J. Demeritt said she would offer some examples of beaver ordinances to assist the conversation.

OLD BUSINESS:

SALVAGE YARDS IN MONKTON

no action taken

ARPA FUNDS STATUS / PROCESS

no action taken

OTHER BUSINESS:

M. Kelley thanked P. Low for fixing the roof on the 1859 building. There was agreement that all members of the Selectboard should have the information to run a Zoom meeting from the town hall.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 7pm.

W. Crandall moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 pm. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Demeritt.