

TOWN OF BRADFORD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING
Monday, August 15, 2022
Minutes

Item 1. **Open meeting: 6:05** pm

Attendance: Errol Hanson, Amber Hines, Julie McCarthy and Carlene Oakes

Absent: Timothy Bubar

Item 1. Approval of August 1, 2022 minutes- Motion made by Selectman C. Oakes and 2nd by Selectman A. Hines to accept minutes as presented

Vote 4 in Favor 0 in the Negative Motion Carries

Item 2. Review of Treasurer’s Warrants: 54, 55 and 56 Motion made by Selectman A. Hines and 2nd by Selectman c. Oakes to accept warrants as presented

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Item 3.Open Session: 4 Residents 1 guest

J. Dyer thanked the Board for lowering the taxes

ATV Club – R. Jack- there are new members from the Township Atkinson looking to open King and Atkinson Rd. They now stop at the intersection of King, Lagrange and Main Rd. **Motion made by Selectmen E. Hanson and 2nd by Selectman A. Hines to allow the ATV Club to open King and Atkinson Rd to ATV riders but only if the State gives permission for the Maple Rd to be accessed for the Township of Atkinson for ATV riders.**

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Item 4.Committee Reports:

- a. Planning Board / CEO:** no report
- b. Future Fire Station Committee:** Setting the date for Public Hearing on the Appropriation Earmark Grant for the new Fire Station. **Monday, October 17th @7pm Community Center**
- c. Recreation Committee/ Bradford Days committee:** no report
- d. Fire Department:** Assistant Chief Desi Murray came and gave apologies for the Chief being out of town for work
- e. Road Commissioner:** E. Hanson- asked about filling the ruts on Gravy Ln. felt it would be too big of a job and take too much time they would just do the potholes and large cracks. Need to do some ditching and repair at the top of Wilder Davis Rd to stop the gravel and water from running across the road. It was suggested to just turn it back to gravel it was only paved there for parking when it was the Town Office. E. Hanson spoke with Hopkins Paving and said he would do everything for \$65,000 paving Gravy Ln.

Short discussion on how the billing was done for grading. It has been taken out of the grading line whenever the grader was used not matter what work was being done. This is supported by the line item in Trio. Gravel comes out of highway maintenance for repair work or construction for larger planned work.

Grading-Engstrom - spot graded Rozelle Rd. graded Pond Rd. on 08/15. And will do So. Tasker once his grader is repaired.

Road work completed on Middle, Reeves and Jones Rd. Williams Rd the ditching and culvert need to be completed. Selectmen need to go and inspect the work. Atkinson Rd- Selectman look at it and get back to C. Oakes by noon on Thursday with your opinion on what needs to be done and she will call Hanson and Son.

Opinion of the Board about the trees on the corner of Station and Storer appeared to be fine.

- f. **Town Manager:** Tax payers have been receiving their bills. There has been a lot of calls on the Property Tax Stabilization for 65 and over. We have made handout guides for as they come in. The application needs to be in be Dec 1st every year and we do need to have a copy of their Driver's license or State Id. Something official best with a picture on it showing their date of birth and address. This takes effect on 2023 taxes.

We received noticed from innovative Surface Solution the price will go to \$1.26 with the next fill up from the \$1.17 due to the increase in delivery charge.

Reminder; I will be at the Trio Conference next Monday and Tuesday also out on Thursday afternoon for a meeting on what's happing with the op in or out on the marijuana issue.

The Fire Dept is asking for the Selectmen not to show up on an active call scene to find out what is going on. This is a distraction for them.

Item 5. Old Business:

- a. **Text messaging plan-** missed the call- line was busy have set up another time
- b. **Rock rake- Motion made by Selectman A. Hines and 2nd by Selectman J. McCarty to sell the rock rake to R. Parady for \$7, 500.00.**

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- c. **Front sign-** E. Hanson said he will get it hung this week
- d. **Town Web site-** will send the new lay out plan to J. Pineo this week and work with her until we get it up and running. Replacing the old site working on owning the site.
- e. **Crack Sealing-** J. McCarthy has a call in to Local Roads to get some more information to be able to make an informed decision; one of the concerns is having the safety and man power to do it.
- f. **Policy/Minutes-** went over the policy again with suggestions will present at next meeting
- g. **Front Door –** E. Hanson the motion was made for doors to be unlock. When asked if any one wanted to make a motion to change it no one spoke up. Both doors are now unlocked; this is new since 2007 only one door has been unlocked never both during business hours.

Item 6. New Business:

- a. **Chair rack** –tabled until January
- b. **Sign Quit Claim Deed-** acted on

Item 7. BOS Concerns:

T. Bubar- absent

E. Hanson- So. Smith road the gentleman who lives there would like a few loads of gravel. Put it on the list for the Selectmen to check it out.

Spoke to Cory Hill on the Cemetery. Mills Cemetery spoke to Tucker Tree Service someone needs to go with him.

Spoke with Assessor the mile rate is \$60,000 per mil

A. Hines- passed

C Oakes- passed

J. McCarthy- Will have an article for the next newsletter on why we don't have curbside pick-up.

Read a letter expressing her concerns to the behavior that was presented at the last selectmen's meeting

Item 8. Correspondence: none

Item 9. Request for Additional Agenda Items:

Item 10. Executive Session: Personnel Matters 1 M.R.S.A.§ 405(6)(A) **Motion made by Selectman E. Hanson and 2nd by Selectman J. McCarthy to go in to executive session: under Personnel Matters 1 M.R.S.A.§ 405(6)(A) All in Favor 7:32 pm**

Motion made by Selectman E. Hanson and 2nd by Selectman J. McCarthy to come out of executive session: under Personnel Matters 1 M.R.S.A.§ 405(6)(A) All in Favor 7:34 pm

No action taken by vote but Chairman will speak with MMA

Item 11. Adjourn: 7:35

Submitted by

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Vittoria J.B. Stevens

____Absent on 08/15/2022_____

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Selectman Timothy Bubar

Selectman Amber Hines

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Selectman Errol Hanson

Selectman Julie McCarthy

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Selectman Carlen Oakes