

TOWN OF BRADFORD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN AGENDA/ MEETING
6:00 PM Thursday, June 25, 2015

Item 1. Open meeting- 6.02pm

Attendance: Selectmen; Bruce Bailey, Vance Corliss, Errol Hanson, Patrick Murray, and Edward Nevells

Item 2. Approval of Minutes- June 10, 2015 minutes. Selectman V. Corliss made a **motion to accept minutes as read 2nd** by Selectman P. Murray. All in favor **motion carries**

Item 3. Review of Treasurer's Warrants - #'s 40, 41, 42, 43 and 44- acted on

Item 4. Open Session- no comments

Item 5. Committee Reports.

a. Planning Board- informed CEO the Town needs a solid waste disposal ordinance / revisit the trailer ordinance making sure they are more than fire safe and a way to stop the late night drop off trailers

b. Recreation Committee- none- *Did send email to Chairman passing on the boards kudos for what they have been doing.*

c. Fire Department- Fire chief reported on the Jr. F.F. car wash/ smoke detector hand out on May 30th and thanked the Selectmen for their support.

d. Road Commissioner- Road work for the past 2 weeks- Beaver have been a big problem this spring and summer. Will call the State again about the one by V. Corliss's place and let them know the flooding is becoming an issue; have been continuing to grade and lay calcium as weather permits. Selectman E. Hanson made one call about a dump body trailer. This might be a solution for the Town truck becoming a better fit for the Town. First quick estimate about 6 thousand for a trailer that will carry approximately 2 tons. Road Commissioner was very interested in this possibility. The Board talked about how Charleston paved their roads last time. It appears for the most part to be holding up well. Something to look into when we start working on the paving project

Item 6. Old Business-

a. Road work bids went out 6/12 open on 7/23

b. Road Commissioner- elected / appointed: Board feels that by making the position an appointed one it works out better for the town for then the Board can appoint someone with some knowledge of the Town roads. Selectman E. Nevells commented that it has been working out very nicely having C. Oakes as road commissioner. Town Manager will work on a warrant article for a special town meeting to be held 90 days before annual town meeting in March 2016 so the Selectmen can appoint a road commissioner each year if the town passes the article at a special town meeting.

c. Closing roads for winter maintenance- went over email from MMA- on what steps need to be completed to close roads for winter maintenance. Process needs to be completed by September 30th, the closing can be for up to 10 years. There needs to be a public hearing, following the public hearing

procedures; after the public hearing is closed the selectmen need to publicly deliberate the issue making a written record of Title 23 MRSA 2953(2) for each road closing.

Item 7: New Business-

- a. **ATV culverts- Motion made** by Selectman V. Corliss and 2nd by Selectman E. Hanson that the ATV Club could have the end pieces left from culverts that needed to be shorten. **4 in favor, 1 abstention** (E.N.)
- b. **Commitment of taxes hoping to be committed on July 8th-**

Item 8: BOS Concerns:

- a. **Bruce Bailey-** none
- b. **Vance Corliss-** After talking to a few people he realized that people like receiving the post cards, he is having a rat issue from the old Arnold Hanson house, the culvert by him is still plugged up and the water is rising, (The office will call the State again on this issue). Have received positive feedback about the grading.
- c. **Errol Hanson-** Commented on a nice job that was done on cleaning out the dug- outs. Would like to have the graffiti that is carved into the wooded dug-out walls sanded off – the Town doesn't own any equipment to be able to do that. In the past the Rec. Committee would paint the dug outs along with taking care of the fields.
Made 2 calls and spoke with 2 different people in the Dept. of Revenue state level 624-5699, a Jamie and Jeff. He was told by them that cars that are not register can be charge a personal tax. Each town has the right to charge personal property tax. It is a constitutional law but because we are a Home rule state the town doesn't have to enforce the tax. Errol stated he would like to see the Town to stop enforcing the personal property tax.
- d. **Patrick Murray-** none
- e. **Edward Nevells-** none

Item 9. Correspondence- Letter from State concerning Middle Branch Bridge #3473-2014 Inspection – Wings significant spalling, extensive cracking, spalling, and leakage of exterior portions of the slab.

Item 10. Request for Additional Agenda Items- none

Item 11. Executive Session:

- a. **1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) personal matter- Motion made** by Selectman E. Nevells to enter in to executive session for the purpose of 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) at 7:57 pm, 2nd by Selectman B. Bailey. All in favor **motion passes**
Motion made by Selectman B. Bailey to come out of executive session at 8:51pm, 2nd by Selectman V. Corliss. All in favor **motion passes.**
No decision was made.

Item 12. Adjournment: 8:53pm

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/

Vittoria Stevens, Town Manager

/s/

Bruce Bailey

/s/

Patrick Murray

/s/

Vance Corliss

/s/

Edward Nevells

/s/

Errol Hanson