

**TOWN OF BRADFORD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN AGENDA/ MEETING
6:00 PM Thursday, September 17, 2015**

Item 1. Open meeting-

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

Item 2. Public Hearing – Closing Roads for Winter Maintenance- open @ 6:02pm

Attendance- M. Michaud, C. Michaud, D. Kelly, C. Oakes, K. Muir

Comments from the Public- can private citizens plow the closed roads- this is strongly discouraged from being done. Clarified the closing section of Pond Rd. and the Town will place signs at both end stating Road Closed to Winter Maintenance. Hearing no more question **Public Hearing closed @ 6:09pm**

Item 3. Due Deliberation on Closing Roads for Winter Maintenance- Motion made

by Selectman B. Bailey and 2nd by Selectman V. Corliss to close the Pond Rd. for the 1 mile section where no one lives there and the Boyd Lake Rd to Winter Maintenance for the next 10 years by “Order of Closing No.1 and Order of Closing No. 2. All in favor.

Motion Carries

Item 4. Public Hearing on Adopting the local General Assistance Ordinance- open @6:20pm

Attendance- M. Michaud, C. Michaud, D. Kelly, C. Oakes, K. Muir

Comments- Clarified questions about how G.A. is handled. Hearing no more questions to answer, **Public hearing closed @ 6:28pm**

Item 5. Move and vote to adopt G. A. Ordinance- Motion made by Selectman E.

Nevells and 2nd by Selectman P. Murray to accept the new 2015- 2016 G. A. Ordinance. All in favor **Motion carries.**

Item 6. Approval of Minutes- September 3, 2015 minutes- **Motion made** by Selectman

E. Hanson and 2nd by Selectman P. Murray to accept minutes as read. All in favor

Motion Passes.

Item 7. Review of Treasurer’s Warrants - #’s 66, 67, 68, 69, and 70- acted on

Item 8. Open Session- None

Item 9. Committee Reports:

a. Planning Board- Copy of Planning Board Bylaws- K. Muir to address the Board- Motion made by Selectman V. Corliss and 2nd by Selectman B. Bailey to support the Planning Board in sending a letter certified mail addressing the new business issue and asking the owner to come in and discuss the issue with the Planning Board at their next meeting in October. Vote 4-1 (E.H.) **Motion Carries.**

b. Recreation Committee- material from the Storm Run Off project is being dropped off at the Fire Station field to help level the field.

- c. **Fire Department-** 17-1 relief valve –and other leaks – repair cost \$4,000, it still won't pass pump test but if they de-rate it down to 750 g-rpm will pass, its' a 29 yr. old truck with a 25 yr. old pump.
Grants are opening up for new fire trucks, \$400,000 town match \$20,000 .
Concerns- 1. garage doors will the newer trucks fit through them, 2. Town matching would need to be covered by loan. The Fire Dept. and the Town do need to come up with a long term truck replacement plan.
Grants open for new air packs ours expire 2018- up to \$100,000 town match \$5,000.00
Along with Rec Dept. the Fire Dept. is looking at running a wk. long firefighter summer camp for 10-14yr olds. (*We are covered in our insurance for this type of activity*)
Motion made- by Selectman B. Bailey and 2nd by Selectman V. Corliss to sell the snow plow from the Fire Dept. ATV for \$100.00 if the buyer is interested in it. All in favor- **Motion Carries**
- d. **Road Commissioner-** Williams Rd.- completed almost done on Atkinson Rd. (needs some ditching)- gravel passed test before and once it was placed on the road. Have calcium new pieces and starting on fall grading- Charleston men- we are getting 40 hrs. of brush cutting in October.

Item 6. Old Business:

- a. **Meet with Assessor agent- R. Thibodeau-**explained that we can drop collecting personal property tax which would include the excise we collect on tractor but the State will keep the valuation of \$ 800,000.00 plus which affects our county tax. When doing personal property there is a depreciation that is taken into account. Business receive back minimum of 90% of the personal property tax they pay.
- b. **Step two of Withdrawal from School District-** A discussion was held to what needed to be done if there was going to be an article on the Nov. 3rd municipal ballot. A motion was made for an article to go on the municipal ballot if Step 2 of the withdrawal process of the Citizen Petition was going forth on Nov. 3rd if not that motion made will becomes null and void. *On Monday September 21st the Town Office was notified that there would be no article for the Nov.3rd election. All motions and votes from Selectmen's meeting on September 17th in reference to the Citizen Petition are null and void for there is no municipal ballot. The Citizen Petition has been put on hold until January, if it does go for a vote at Town Meeting an article needs to be written up and in the Town Office no later than January 25, 2016. Motions made by the Selectmen at the January Selectmen's meetings for an article to be put on the warrant along with public hearings scheduled.*
- c. **Storm Run Off Project-** will have to build the road up, blasting so far a no. Clay passed testing, Jodie from Sewall approved it. One more test to past and that is compaction but won't know that until it is being laid out in the ponds.
- d. **Maintenance hours (manual labor) for the Town –** information for you to look at and start thinking about next year's budget. The hours on the sheet are total man hours.

Item 7. New Business:

- a. **Recognizing oldest citizen with plaque-** this was done in the past and the tradition has been lost shortly after we stop giving out the Boston Cane. Do we want to start this tradition back up again? **Motion made** by Selectman V.

Corliss and 2nd by Selectman E. Nevells to reinstate the recognizing the oldest citizen of Bradford. Ruth Smith will be recognized she is 99.

Item 8: BOS Concerns:

- a. **Bruce Bailey- nothing**
- b. **Vance Corliss- nothing**
- c. **Errol Hanson- nothing**
- d. **Patrick Murray- nothing**
- e. **Edward Nevells- nothing**

Item 9. Correspondence- Letter from MSAD#64- returning of BES to the town

Item 10. Request for Additional Agenda Items- C.O. not chosen for the E.K. award

Item 11. Executive Session- none

Item 12. Adjournment- 9:58pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Vittoria Stevens, Town Manager

S/
Vance Corliss

S/
Errol Hanson

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Bruce Bailey

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Edward Nevells

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Patrick Murray