

New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting
New Ashford Town Hall
August 19, 2019

Board Present: Jason Jayko (chair), Mark Phelps

Absent: Ken McInerney

Others Present: Richard George, Keith Lacasse, Lori Jayko, Alan Steinhoff, Tammy Steinhoff, Chuck Morrone

Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Snow Plow Contract Bids: The two bids received were opened and read aloud. The first bid was from John's Excavation LLC for \$58,000. The second bid was from KLC Construction Corp for \$74,000. Mark made a motion to accept the bid from John's Excavating for \$58,000 for two years for the snow plowing contract, seconded by Jason.

2. Approve the minutes from 8/5: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason, the minutes from the 8/5/2019 Select Board/MLP Meeting were approved as amended to include that Brenda Church also works for Clarksburg and to verify the price of the resident flags.

3. Public Comment: Chuck Morrone reported that Mike Nixon asked to use the Old Schoolhouse for a student program for fifth graders for two days at the end of August. Mike sent the waiver of liability to Jason by e-mail. Chuck bolted down the desks. Mark made a motion to approve use of the Old Schoolhouse, seconded by Jason.

Alan Steinhoff asked for an update on broadband. The next step is the certification of the lines on the poles. Then there will be a test group of residents. The bid for building out to the homes hasn't been awarded yet. Alan asked about Beach Hill paving. Road Commissioner, Keith Lacasse, said that HMA Contracting will mill, then Keith will repair the culverts that need it before HMA paves.

4. Road Commissioner: Keith reported that Max Lacasse mowed Ingraham Road and Mallery to the cemetery and back. White Road and Roys Road need to be done. Mowing is not necessary on Greylock Road this year. Greylock Road is washing out and needs 3-4 loads of material before the ground freezes. Bauer Road has a culvert that needs to be fixed. Keith requested three bids to pave the first hill on Greylock Road and is waiting for responses from Donovan, HMA, and Condron. Keith will patch the holes around town.

5. Broadband: The lines are being certified. Work is on schedule. On 8-20, Jason will find out who was awarded the bid to build out to the houses. Then test groups can begin. There is a new door lock on the side door of the Town Hall that has the ability for keyless entry with codes, to make it easier to give access to workers.

6. Any other unforeseen business: Mark suggested writing a letter to the Building Inspector requesting her to find out the legitimacy of long-term rentals at the Springs Motel. Mark will draft the letter. The Board of Health will coordinate with the Building Inspector.

Documents and records from former Assessor, Gus Martin, have been given to current Assessor, Chris Lamarre. WebPro is completed and Jason will send a link to the town e-mail.

7. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Next meeting tentatively September 3, 2019 at 6:30
Meeting adjourned at 7:04