

New Ashford Select Board Meeting
New Ashford Town Hall/Teleconference
August 2, 2021
Select Board Present: Jason Jayko (Chair), Mark Phelps
Absent: Ken McInerney
Others Present: Richard George, Lori Jayko, Susan Supranowicz
Call-In: Shaun Garvey, Keith Lacasse
Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Approve minutes from 7/22: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason, the minutes from the July 22, 2021 New Ashford Select Board meeting were approved.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Trees: The Board and Shaun Garvey discussed that the Tree Warden determines the tree work that needs to be done, gets estimates, and brings those to the Board. Shaun said he didn't use the budget up last year because he didn't see much that needed to be done. However, the Board believes that, in the interest of public safety, the tree canopies need attention, along with the dead trees on the sides of the roads. The power company will take the trees down that are near the wires. Shaun thinks the budget and expectations are not appropriate and he declined the position.

4. Road Commissioner: Keith Lacasse said that Ingraham Road needs work near the top. He will add stone to the edges of the road and also on Bauer Road. He put down two loads of base material. There are three 12-inch corrugated culverts that could be replaced with plastic ones to help them flush out easier. Keith will give an estimate at the next meeting. It is not known if there will be state aid for the flooding damage. The culverts were put back on Ingraham Road where the beavers were. The second culvert on the north side needs rip rap. Keith will provide a cost estimate to replace the gate and add guardrails on both sides on Ingraham Road. Keith advised placing guard rails on the right side of White Road going up. He regraded the north end of Roys Road. It is passable but needs work. The Board will look at Roys Road and address it at the next meeting. Keith will call Eversource about a tree on Greylock Road that is leaning towards the power line, one on Ingraham Road, and one on Beach Hill Road.

5. Septic: Keith is getting quotes for 2,500 or 3,000 gallon tanks.

6. Any other unforeseen business: There has been a lot of activity at the Springs motel with questions of whether Building Permits have been issued. Mark will call the Building Inspector. Bags were dumped in the recycling bin last week. There is a sign on the recycling bin of what is allowable.

The Town Clerk, Susan Supranowicz, noted that Louise Palmer does not want to be on the Historical Commission and Bill Johnston declined alternate for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Susan is working on the used auto sales license for Shamrock Auto Sales. She worked with Assessor, Chris Lamarre, on Gateway for the tax rate.

The Fire Department had a Magistrate Hearing and received the gear back from the Carpenters.

7. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Next meeting August 23, 2021 at 6:30
Meeting adjourned at 7:35