

New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting  
New Ashford Town Hall/Teleconference  
December 20, 2021

Select Board Present: Jason Jayko (Chair), Ken McInerney, Mark Phelps

Others Present: Lori Jayko, Richard George, Susan Supranowicz, Keith Lacasse

Call-In: None

Meeting opened at 6:33

1. Approve minutes from 12/6: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Ken, the minutes from the December 6, 2021 New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting were approved.

2. Public Comment: None

3. Road Commissioner: Keith Lacasse reported that two trees came down on Ingraham Road and were removed. Keith will take care of the trees discussed at the previous meeting. Keith back filled the gas line from the Town Hall to the Fire Station and put in the conduit from the septic tank to the Fire Station. Jason will call the electrician to hook it up. The alarm and float are in. The phone number for the Gas Inspector has been updated on the town website. The Chapter 90 invoice will be paid and the paperwork sent in for reimbursement. Roys Road is closed and Greylock Road will be closed this weekend.

4. MVP Grant: Jason talked to the grant representative. The town's hazard mitigation plan was done in 2012, but was not updated in 2019. The plan needs to be updated every five years and will be done as part of the grant process. Jason will send the paperwork to legal counsel. There are no town funds required for this grant.

5. Well Testing: The state would like to test select wells for PFAs. Jason had a meeting with the DEP and UMASS on Friday. The wells were chosen because of their proximity to Brodie Mountain, the Fire Station, and the landfill. Private well owners are responsible for their own clean-up, but they are not required to do it. If it is determined that a business leaked PFAs into a well, the business is liable to pay for mitigation. Garages and warehouses don't meet the requirement for testing. Jason posted the information on the town website and will send it to the town e-mail list.

6. Tax Collector: The job description was sent to the town e-mail list.

7. Farmland Preservation: Mark received an e-mail about farmland preservation and will reach out for more information. The focus of the e-mail was soil, but he will ask about syrup land. He will invite the sender to attend a meeting by zoom.

8. Any other unforeseen business: The town received a donation to the Fire Department of \$200 from the J-Day race.

Ken reported that William Clark had an overpayment for internet. On a motion by Ken, seconded by Jason, the refund payment will come out of the MLP Contingency account.

Keith will order salt in January and a load of sand. There are 200 tons of salt.

Policies will be on the agenda for the next meeting, including a CORI check policy.

9. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17

Next meetings January 10 and 24, 2022 at 6:30.