

New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting

New Ashford Town Hall/Zoom

March 6, 2023

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

Others Present: Lori Jayko, Susan Supranowicz, Richard George, Jake Scace

Zoom: Jake Scace

Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Approval of Minutes from February 22, 2023: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Ken, the minutes from the February 22, 2023 New Ashford Select Board/MLP meeting were approved unanimously.
2. Public Comment: Richard George will check to see if TAM needs a permit to pick up the recycling in town.
3. Road Commissioner: Not present. Mirabito said the propane tank needs a bigger pipe and a regulator removed.
4. Budget: The Board added budget items to the spreadsheets for the general and MLP budgets. Ken has not heard back from the Building Inspector if the funds requested for new code books and permit forms are spread across the towns she works for. Jason sent the RFP for the Old Schoolhouse roof replacement to Smegal, Wooliver and AC, modified to include the cupola repairs. There was discussion about who is responsible for repairs to gravestones in the cemetery.
5. Town Warrant: An article will be added concerning the bylaw clarification for when town elections are held.
6. Complete Streets Funding Program: Jason will look at the grant requirements and start the process. The Board will send a letter stating it will create a Complete Streets Policy. The Chapter 90 appropriation for FY 24 is \$42,496.13.
7. Any Other Business: Mark has been researching electric vehicles not paying into the highway trust fund. He found that this is a national issue with the trust funds for federal and states going down because of electric and efficient vehicles buying less gas. There was discussion on how to get revenue from electric vehicles and agreement that it is a complicated issue. Ken suggested that the Broadband Grant money be used for Kearsy's connection. Ken noted that a significant amount of tree work will be necessary on Greylock Road. He cut a couple trees, but there are several more. The Board discussed having the Building Inspector and Fire Chief address the abandoned buildings in town, in response to the recent fire at Snowy Owl. Mark will confirm with the Assessor that the church is going back on the tax rolls
8. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Next Meeting March 20, 2023 at 6:30

Meeting adjourned at 7:24