

New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting

New Ashford Town Hall/Zoom

July 10, 2023

Board Present: Jason Jayko (Chair), Mark Phelps

Absent: Ken McInerney (MLP Manager)

Others Present: Lori Jayko, Dan Jennings, Richard George, Keith Lacasse

Zoom: None

Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Approval of Minutes from June 26, 2023: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason, the minutes from the June 26 New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting were approved unanimously.
2. Schoolhouse: Tabled.
3. Public Comment: Dan Jennings is trying to get building permits and demolition permits, but is not getting a response from the Building Inspector. Jason will contact the Building Inspector. The Board confirmed that the Fire Chief assigns street numbers, as outlined in the Town Bylaws. Dan said if the town digs out the pond on Mallery Road, the fill can be put on his property. Keith will talk to the pond property owner.
Richard George, Chair of the Board of Health, did Title V's in June. Andy Kelly called Richard asking if the town would like the church. Richard will let him know that the town is interested. Jason will contact Legal Counsel.
4. Road Commissioner: Keith Lacasse turned in an invoice for the loader for salt and slips for sand. He cleared the culverts on Ingraham, Roys, and Greylock Roads. He widened Roys Road and added four loads of material. The Greylock Trail access work is done. There are dead trees near Salt Shed that he will remove this summer. There are trees on Ingraham Road that need attention. The tight tank alarm was going off at the Fire Station. Keith will check it. Jason will reach out to Mickle Electric again about getting the Fire Station generator hooked up. Keith ordered new seals (\$179 + shipping) for the dipper cylinder on the tractor and will replace them. A resident complained about the mowing. Keith thinks the side glass on the tractor was too foggy to see out of and took it off.
5. Snow Plow Contract: Jason updated the contract and The Board will review it at the next meeting.
6. MEMA – Mitigation Statement of Interest – Ingraham Road: Jason filled out a statement of interest for the culverts on Ingraham Road for MEMA last week.
7. Trees: The Board will make a list of trees that need removal, prioritizing the worst, with road protection in mind. Mark will reach out to Eversource about trees near the power lines, including the three trees near Bouchards'.
8. Town Clerk – Safe – Key: Susan e-mailed Lori Trottier to give the key to Karla. She did not get a response.

9. Mohawk Trail Woodlands Grant: Ken submitted the FY24 grant submission. Mark contacted Lisa Roughley about her property and the assessor was contacted for land value. The grant will be used to make a park with the land.

10. Staples: Lori reached out to Adams Community Bank about getting a town credit card and will meet with them for more information.

11. Old and Any Other Business: Jake Scace resigned from his positions in town, except for the Fire Department.

12. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Next meeting July 24th at 6:30.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45