

New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting

New Ashford Town Hall/Zoom

December 18, 2023

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

Others Present: Lori Jayko, Lars Reinhard, Keith Lacasse

Zoom: None

Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Approval of Minutes from December 11, 2023: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Ken, the minutes from the December 11, 2023, New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting were approved unanimously.
2. Public Comment: None
3. Berkshire Public Health Alliance – Board of Health: Jason received an email from Berkshire Regional Planning asking if the town would like to use their Board of Health inspection program. They would act as the town's health agent and are available to answer any technical questions. The Board would like input from the town's Board of Health. Mark made a motion to table the issue, seconded by Ken.
4. Road Commissioner: The water was high in the culverts on Ingraham Road during the heavy rains, but is now dropping. Keith detoured water that was flowing into Ingraham Road from the new driveway and tried to address another water problem near Roughleys'. He will monitor it. Ingraham Road is falling apart just after the blacktop and near Roughleys'. Keith took care of the potholes on Ingraham Road. He will close Greylock Road. Lanesboro closed their end last week.
5. School House Boundaries: The Board reviewed the e-mails that Mark received from KP Law. Legal Counsel can do the title search for the properties and retain a surveyor. Ken said there is information in drawer 8, 386 and 376 at the Registry of Deeds. Mark will contact Legal Counsel about anticipated costs for services for this issue.
6. Fire Station Addition: No bids were received. The Board will follow the permitting process for compliance with proximity to the river and repost on Commbuys and locally.
7. MLP: Ken hasn't noticed any speed issues in the last week. Jason and Ken will continue to monitor it.
8. Old and Any Other Unforeseen Business: The FY24 MTWP Grant project will be on the next meeting agenda. Mark will call Piotr and mark off the property. The town needs to vote to accept the land. The \$22,500 grant will pay for the survey and the parking and then there will be access on both ends of the Sugarloaf Trail.
Jason replaced the light by the door at the Fire Station. The lighted sign above the bay doors doesn't work. Keith will check the septic tank at the Fire Station to confirm that there isn't water in it.
9. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Next meeting January 8, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 7:13