

New Ashford Select Board Meeting

New Ashford Town Hall/Zoom

October 21, 2024

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

Absent: Ken McInerney

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

Zoom: None

Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Approval of Minutes from October 7, 2024: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason, the minutes from the October 7, 2024 New Ashford Select Board/MLP meeting were approved.

2. Public Comment: None.

3. Road Commissioner: Keith Lacasse reported that beavers completely plugged the culvert on Ingraham Road. His efforts to unclog it were unsuccessful. The town received DEP permission to replace the culvert and Keith will do the work on Saturday. He has the necessary materials and will get a load of pea stone. The road section will be repaved on Monday. Jason will post the temporary road closure on the website. Keith will have a steel road plate on site to cover the opening for emergency road access, if necessary. Donovan finished paving on Ingraham Road. Keith will mow the north end of town and get leaf blowing done this week. A resident on Mallery Road complained about his trees being mowed. He talked to Keith and asked to be notified prior to mowing so he can cut back the trees himself. Keith reminded him that his trees are on town property. Keith will patch Mallery and Beach Hill roads next week. He put cones at a wash out on Greylock Road and will fill it with heavy stone. He will clean the ditches on Beach Hill Road. Eversource has marked more trees in town, including problem trees near Bouchards'. They do not know when the crews will be out to do the work.

4. Town Clerk Updates: Susan said the dedication for the engraving on Phoebe Jordan's grave will be November 2nd at 11:00 at the town cemetery, with a reception following at the Town Hall. There were no early voters on Saturday. She will hold early voting on Wednesday from 2:00PM – 4:00PM, on Saturday for four hours after the vaccination clinic, and on November 1 from 1:00PM – 5:00PM. Susan would like to get a heavy duty shredder. Mark made a motion for the Treasurer to use the town credit card to purchase a heavy duty shredder for \$99.99, seconded by Jason. Susan sent out 43 mail-in ballots and got 23 back so far.

5. Old and Any Other Unforeseen Business: The Board set Trick or Treat hours for 5:00PM – 7:00PM on October 31.

6. Warrant: The warrants were reviewed and signed.

Next meeting November 4, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 6:49