

Starksboro Selectboard meeting
Oct. 2, 2024
Unapproved

Board members present: Koran Cousino, John Painter, Eric Cota, Carin McCarthy

Unable to attend: David Schmidt

Others present: Rebecca Elder, Nancy Boss, Amy McCormick

John Painter called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Starksboro Town Clerk's office.

Review agenda:

- Removed road report

Visitor's Business: none

1. Request for release of leased lands: R&D Pizzagalli Grandchildren's LLC

Motion: Eric moved to approve the Quit Claim deed for the release of leased lands for R&D Pizzagalli Grandchildren's LLC. Carin McCarthy second. **Vote:** Motion approved unanimously.

2. Tax Abatements – BOA meetings will be scheduled per taxpayer request. There is no deadline to apply. Two more have been scheduled so far.
3. Jerusalem WW system – System has been installed by D. Casey Excavating. Nancy will call to determine if any final paperwork is needed for State and follow up with Barnard & Gervais.
4. Library contract – Proposal from Jeff Dunham was received via Susan Thompson. John asked about an estimate for services.
 - a. Nancy to call Jeff D. and ask for an estimate
 - b. Postpone review of contract to next meeting
5. Finance updates
 - a. Nancy asked what reports the board wants to see and with what frequency.
 - b. Board requested quarterly budget status and fund balances
 - c. Koran asked about the FEMA payment and to ensure we replenish the correct fund
6. Warrants review:

Motion: Eric moved to pay AP and payroll warrants as presented with the exception to hold Swan invoice for further review. Koran second. **Vote:** Motion approved unanimously.

 - a. Eric will follow up with Josh with questions
7. Minutes review:

Motion: Carin moved to approve the minutes of 9/3/24 with two corrections. Koran second. **Vote:** Motion approved unanimously.
8. SB roundtable
 - a. Harvest Festival scheduled for 10/12 3-5pm. Live music, hot dogs, games, silent auction
 - b. EC - noticed barricade on Ireland Rd in part of the road by O'Bryans – it is blocking cars going around it. It needs to be moved out of the way. Resident asked Josh to create a bigger area for parking. By the dry well - needs to pull up another 2-3 ft.

- c. Resident needs a winter fix - Nancy will call Mellissa. It is not the Town's responsibility to provide private parking area for homes.
 - d. Food Shelf - cleaning up branches, trees, to help with moisture accumulation
9. Lewis Creek Assoc gathering scheduled
10. Location needed to store a lawnmower - not enough room in storage shed

Motion: Eric Cota moved to enter executive session per 1 VSA §313(a)(3) to discuss interview for the Town Administrator position. Carin McCarthy second. **Vote:** Motion approved unanimously.

Motion: John Painter moved to exit executive session at ____ p.m. Carin McCarthy second.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

Action: The board will make an offer to a candidate.

Motion: Eric Cota moved to adjourn at ____ p.m. John Painter second.

Vote: Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Elder, Town Administrator

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