

Starksboro Selectboard Meeting
Minutes of 2/22/22
Unapproved

Board members present: Nancy Boss, Koran Cousino, Carin McCarthy

Unable to attend: John Painter, Eric Cota

Others present: Rebecca Elder, Tony Porter, Keegan Tierney, Amy McCormick

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Koran Cousino at the Town Clerk's office and via Zoom.

Changes or Additions

- Discuss site visit date for Ireland/Conway/Sam Stokes re: snowmobile access request
- Ratify decision to temporarily use Australian ballot for the 2022 Town Meeting

Visitor's Business

None

Town Meeting Prep

Keegan Tierney will be moderating for his first town meeting, albeit a virtual one. The meeting will be conducted via Zoom webinar as it was last year. Keegan, Rebecca, and Amy will be at the office to host the meeting and receive phone calls from anyone needing assistance in connecting to the meeting. Instructions for participation are on the website and shared on FPF and via a mailed flyer to all residents.

Road Foreman's Report

Tony has found an experienced local plow driver who can help the town through mid-April while the hiring process for a full-time crew member continues. One application has been received so far. The position was advertised in the Addison Independent, via VLCT, and on Indeed and other online job sites. The town will continue to advertise in hopes of receiving more applications to consider.

Action Items

Motion: Nancy Boss made a motion to approve the warrants for bills, orders, and payroll as presented by the Treasurer. Koran Cousino second. **Motion approved unanimously.**

One question was raised on the 2/17/22 payroll warrant. Board will follow up with Mark.

Motion: Nancy Boss made a motion to certify the 2022 Grand List of the Town of Starksboro as presented by the Board of Listers. Carin McCarthy second. **Motion approved unanimously.**

Motion: Nancy Boss made a motion to ratify the decision to conduct the town meeting virtually for 2022 and to present the articles to the voters by Australian ballot for 2022 only as discussed and approved at the January 18th meeting. **Motion approved unanimously.**

Selectboard Meeting schedule:

- Reminder: BOA meeting re: voting day assignments 2/23/22 at 5pm
- Feb. 27 (Sunday) – tentative 1pm site visit for snowmobile access request – to be confirmed
- Mar. 1 (Tuesday) – Town Meeting Voting Day – no Selectboard meeting
- Mar. 2 (Wednesday) - Regular Selectboard meeting
- Mar. 8 (Tuesday) – Special meeting re: snowmobile access request
- Mar. 15 (Tuesday) – Regular Selectboard meeting

Work Plan review for upcoming meetings:

- Planning for ARPA funding proposal review process and committee
- Selectboard reorganization and other annual post-town meeting appointments
- Review of LEMP (Local Emerg. Mgmt Plan) – invite Charlene Phelps
- Addison Co. Community Trust – 3/15 – short update of work in parks
- Resume check-ins with committees – Energy Comm. for April
- Resume policy reviews
- Road crew hiring process
- MAUSD/town withdrawal discussion
- HR matters
- Fire Station #2/DRB review of proposal ongoing

Motion to adjourn at 6:45 pm: Nancy Boss moved. Carin McCarthy second.

Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Elder
SB Assistant