

Starksboro Selectboard
Minutes of 2/18/19
Unapproved

Board members present: Koran Cousino, Keegan Tierney, Peter Marsh, Tony Porter, Eric Cota
Others present: Susan Klaiber, Heather Ragsdale

6:28 – called to order

Adjustment-addition deletion of agenda items

*Keegan asked that we add executive session for personnel at 7:45 p.m.

6:35 Susan Klaiber – Jerusalem Community Center Committee

Quarterly update – 7 members plus Jeff Dunham have been attending regular meetings.
Site Survey has been completed by Barnard and Gervais and will be filed soon. It will be used to decide whether the new addition and fire dept can occupy the property as hoped.

Structural assessment – of the current schoolhouse and lea -to fire dept. will be done soon,
Engineering Ventures is the company that will complete this.

Environmental assessment has not been completed but they are hoping to get a grant from
Preservation Trust to help with the cost of this project. The original estimate came from Clay
Point assoc. Not sure if this is a company that is endorsed by PT, so they will look into that
before proceeding.

Hoping to complete a town wide survey to find out such things as “do you know where the JSH
Is? Have you been to an event there? Would you use it if there was a renovated kitchen? Etc.

Concern about architectural drawings and will they have enough money to get this done so that
the drawings would be sufficient to apply for permits? They want more than conceptual
drawings.

Keegan has a concern that following the guidelines set forth by PT can increase the cost of the
project without the added benefit of them paying for a big part of it.

Road Foreman’s Report

Pothole on Hinesburg Hollow – Received a complaint from a Huntington Resident that he hit a
pothole on Hollow Rd that caused him to get a flat tire. Tom indicated that this is a known area
of concern that has been fixed a number of times this winter and keeps opening up due to
snow, rain and freezing off and on. The town does not pay for damage to personal vehicles as a
result of the condition of town roads.

Heather Ragsdale – Has submitted her resignation as Animal Control Officer, she has taken a new job that doesn't allow her enough time to devote to this job as well as her career. She will be at town meeting to talk about this role and hopefully court a new Animal control officer.

7:12

Executive session for Palmer Tax Grievance Motion by Keegan, second Tony

Out of ES at 7:17, no action taken.

7:18

Executive Session for Personnel Motion by Tony, Seconded by Peter

Out of ES at 7:20, no action taken.

Select board concerns – Peter asked us if we want him to continue the shoveling the walks until the end of the fiscal year. The board would like him to continue.

Tony – would like us to solicit mowing bids, sooner rather than later. We will put it on the agenda for 2/26

Motion to adjourn was made by Tony, seconded by Eric at 7:48pm

Items for future meetings:

Capital Budget

Personnel policy

Mowing bids