

Starksboro Selectboard Meeting
Minutes of 7/2/19
Unapproved

Board members present: Koran Cousino, Eric Cota, Keegan Tierney, Tony Porter, Nancy Boss

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Chair Koran Cousino.

Road Foreman's Report

- Tom reported there are new Road and Bridge standards out from the state that bring the standards into compliance with act 46.
- The paving is done on Hinesburg Hollow and State's Prison Hollow Roads.
- A grant extension was given to finish up the work on Conway Road.

Current Business:

- 1) **Road crew position timeline and advertisement** – The position will be advertised in the Addison Independent and the VLCT job board, as well as any other free online sites we used before. Tony suggests that the advertisement include a request that the applicant's commute time should be 30 minutes or less. The job ad will be posted for 4 weeks. At the August 6th meeting, the board will screen applicants and hope to interview soon after that.
- 2) **Payroll service discussion** – The Treasurer suggested that the money budgeted for professional payroll accounting services would be better spent to hire a CPA/bookkeeper instead of payroll service. The Selectboard would like to invite the Treasurer to continue this conversation at our next meeting when she comes to set the tax rate.
- 3) **Gazette:** Office staff will produce the Gazette for quarter 2, until the Gazette committee is up and running. **The Selectboard is still looking for an editor for the Gazette that will produce the newsletter and send it out for publication.** A number of people have already stepped up to help with the mailing portion. More info will be in the Gazette this month.
- 4) **Listers' office floor repairs:** Quotes are coming in for the listers' office floor improvements. The board is waiting for one more quote; the SB would like to start on construction while the listers aren't as busy this summer. Post office kiosk work will be done soon and there was discussion about cutting the blue spruce on the lawn at the Post Office because it obstructs the view of motorists exiting the parking lot. The Old House on 116 right on top of the road at the North end of the village is now owned by the State. The State is getting quotes from contractors on costs for removal.

Motion: Keegan Tierney made a motion to allow Koran Cousino to sign the EV acknowledgment form. Nancy Boss second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Nancy Boss made a motion to allow Koran Cousino to sign the maple lease agreement as presented. Tony Porter second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Nancy Boss made a motion to sign the VC3 managed services contract and managed firewall service contract for IT. Eric Cota second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Tony Porter made a motion to approve an agreement to split the cost of repairs and maintenance on the town-owned generator at Robinson school with the MAUSD. The generator will be used for town and school purposes as needed. Eric Cota second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Keegan Tierney made a motion approve minutes of 6/24/19. Eric Cota second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Eric Cota made a motion to approve the minutes of 6/18/19. Nancy Boss second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Eric Cota made a motion approve the orders as presented by the Treasurer. Nancy Boss second.

Motion carried.

Motion: Keegan made a motion to adjourn at 7:45pm. Tony Porter second.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Koran Cousino, Chair