

Town of Freedom Select Board Minutes July 26, 2021

Present: Steve Bennett, Ron Price, Elaine Higgins, Travis Price, Dyann Anderson, Jim Waterman, Alyssa Brugger and Ann-Marie Adamson

Ron called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

FVFD: Ron Price was not able to meet up with Galen this week. Jim Watermen reports Unity has a proposed budget of \$36,000. There are new “lines” for service areas that Hank Elkins is drawing up and he will make sure everyone is aware of changes. Jim Watermen had a concerned citizen call him regarding a porcupine issue.

Public Works: Travis Price reported that they finished patching the Smithon and Rollins Road. They need to patch Beaver, but ran out of patch. Travis Price will be gone next three days, Damien Ingraham has a list of things to do around the shop as well as assisting Alyssa Brugger with town Maintenance. Travis Price reports they had to fix bed chain and airlines on truck 6. Public Works installed town line signs along Freedom/Unity. Travis Price received quotes for shiplap as well as sheetrock for new addition. Electrical should be started this week, overhead door company waiting on everything else to be finished before they install. A discussion of cleaning a corner of road and how far from center, Steve Bennett will contact State of Maine to clarify.

Meeting Minutes: Ron Price makes a motion to approve last week's meeting minutes as is, Steve Bennett seconds, unanimous.

Citizen's Issues: A citizen came in (unsure of name) and wanted to discuss what he could do regarding size of lot and the possibility he has been overcharged for years, claiming the lot is less than an acre instead of the two acres he has been taxed.

Treasurer's Report: Dyann Anderson reported Payroll Warrant in the amount of \$8,401.03, AP is \$63,571.11, and ending checkbook is \$156,508.26. State of Maine Homestead exemption check came in for \$15,418.00. An email came in regarding the website domain is up for annual registration. Dyann Anderson sent out the invoices for Montville. Steve Bennett asked if the amount of Public Works Capitol Reserve was accurate, he feels there should be more. Dyann Anderson will look into it and get back to the Select Board. Ron Price makes a motion to approve Payroll and AP warrants, Steve Bennett seconds motion, unanimous.

Budget Committee: Steve Bennett outlined agenda for tomorrow night's Budget Committee meeting.

Town Clerk: Cindy Abbott is on vacation for the next two weeks. Ron Price makes a motion to allow the town of Freedom to register vehicles for the town of Thorndike, Montville, Knox, Palermo and Unity. Steve Bennett seconds motion, unanimous. Ron Price notes we would do this to be friendly with our neighboring town.

**Town of Freedom Select Board Minutes
July 26, 2021**

Historical Society:Nothing.

Solid Waste: Meeting this Wednesday regarding MRC, they will keep us informed of any changes.

Old Business: Steve Bennett discusses Property and Casualty agreement, it requires a signature for completion. Steve Bennett would like to look into adding the addition since it is almost complete. Ron Price makes a motion to have Steve Bennett Sign the Property and Casualty agreement after looking into adjusting amounts for the new Public Works addition. Steve Bennett seconds motion, unanimous.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10pm.