

Pomfret Select Board Special Meeting
Draft Minutes 4-19-2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Emily Grube.

Present from the Board are Emily Grube, Steve Chamberlin, Scott Woodward, John Peters JR and, Frank Perron. From the Community were Nancy and Ted Mathews, Jim Morgan, Neil Lawson, Keith and Ona Chase, Terri Chamberlin, and Christina Chamberlin

Public Comment: None

4. Agenda Review

Add Maturing CD's, Request by Ellen so she know what action she should take
Scott Wants to Remove 6, a) open meeting law complaint and have an open discussion.
Steve would like to move 7. B) items for possible vote and put Paving funds from the budget into the Reserve fund. Discussion was had that we can't do that without a town vote

Warrants for payment:

Check Warrant 18096 for \$18,432.58

Check Warrant 18093 for \$500 for the P&S deposit for the Laflame property

Check warrant 18097 for \$14500.00 for the Laflame purchase

Payroll warrant for 18094 for \$7435.98

There was a discussion about the computer fees and was determined that Ellen needed a new computer and Becky needed part of hers replaced as well. Frank Motioned and Emily Seconded to approve the Warrants as presented, Approved by a unanimous vote.

Road Commissioner Update:

After the April 15th rain storm there were three roads that had residents that had no access in or out. By the end of the day on Monday two of the three roads had been repaired and the Road Crew started working on the second. By the end of the day on Wednesday Access had been regained to the end of A-frame road and all residents now had vehicular in and out of their homes.

There are lots of washouts on the sides of the roads and the Crew will be fixing the worst one first, Webster Hill is closed to through traffic.

There is the possibility of applying for FEMA money to early to tell now.

Frank has asked for prices on crack sealing but has only heard back from one vendor, will give till next meeting to decide.

TA-60 is done, Highway Grant money hinges on it. Frank moved Scott Seconded to approve the TA-60, Approved Unanimously.

Scraper truck front end, Talked about putting a heavier duty front end in; to expensive to replace everything. Discussed making it a 2WD but determined not to be a good idea given that it is the scraper truck. About \$10,000.00 to fix with the current setup. Emily Moved and Steve Seconded to make the repair. Passed unanimously.

FEMA money may take some time to come in possibly not in FY 2020.

A Car hit the band rail below Kenyon hill rd this winter and needs repair and 200' extension to help mediate the problem. Cost of \$3400.00 from one vendor hope for another estimate.

Cloudland Bridge RFP is out, there have been 4 inquires so far. Bids will be opened at the May 1st Meeting.

The paving Grant has been submitted to the State.

Coring on Howe Hill has been postponed due to an illness

RFP for new Town truck

10 wheeler vs 6 wheeler 4WD. Determined we should get cost estimates on both to help us what direction we should go in.

Scott- \$43,030 amount for FEMA from July 5th 2017 storm, Final sign off is done \$52,127.44 contracts, 75% FEMA and 12.5% State matching grants.

Will turn off time clock now that it is no longer going to be used. Frank Moved and Steve seconded to cancel UAttend System. Passed by Unanimous vote.

6. A) Open Meeting law Complaint.

Scott said the Sec. of state would be willing to come and talk the the board about open meeting law. The board thought that this would be a good idea.

Scott will withdraw his complaint and write a letter stating that fact.

Discussed the importance of Posting on time and correctly.

B) LEMP

Emily spoke to Kevin about it but has not heard back yet. Will put it on the agenda for next meeting and have it completed. It is almost done

C) Approval for Annual Plan for Highways

Done

D) Disposition of Maturing Bridge Fund Reserve CD, and others:

Frank said we needed to move 14790.04 for the Cloudland bridge project. Emily suggested we wait and make one transfer when we needed to.

It was discussed how long to reinvest 30-60 day, Scott asked if we have to pay a penalty for early withdrawals? Emily Said that money with Mascoma Bank would not have a fee imposed. Scott asked how many CD accounts we had and why not have them in one fund. It was determined they were in multiple places to stay under the FDIC insurance threshold.

Frank Motioned and Emily Seconded to expend the money need for the Laflame property from the Labounty fund and to reinvest the other CD's. Unanimous vote by all.

7. A) Spring and Summer Maintenance Plan.

Frank has a list of task to be completed and is working on fine tuning

Storm has changed some plans

There is a week or two of brush removal, most due to the November heavy snow storm

Some of the work may Need to be subbed out given all of the work that needs to be done.

B) Paving funds:

Discussed under review of Agenda

C) Laflame Property Update:

\$500.00 deposit paid. There is an April 30th Closing with Warranty Deed

D) Brick Building Update:

John Moore said the roofer will be ready to go the first part of June when things dry out and the weather is a little better, Spring rain etc.

E) FY19 Financial Statements (expenditures to Budget)

Emily asked why we keep running Deficits with the Highway Budget, wants to make sure it does not come a pattern. Scott says we should be too careful about reading too much into it, that's why we have a rainy day fund.

8) executive Session

F) Purple Crayon Settlement and Discussion

G) Employee Reviews.

Frank Moved and Emily Seconded that we move into Executive Session per VSA 1 313 1 e. Pending Litigation, and VSA 1 313 3 for discussion of employment or review of an employee. Unanimous vote by all

Frank Motioned and Emily Seconded to exit Executive session, Unanimous vote by all.

No Decisions were made

9. Meeting Wrap-Up

A) Selectboard Correspondence:

None

B) Review of assignments:

Emily: CD, Contact Kevin about the LEMP

C) Band rail, RFP truck and Cloudland, LEMP

Special Meeting on 4-22-19 at 7:00pm for employee reviews

10. Adjournment:

Frank Motioned and Emily Seconded to adjourn the meeting, Unanimous vote by all.