

TROY SELECT BOARD'S MEETING
MINUTES April 5, 2023

Present: Selectpersons: Brian Piper, Richard Montana and Thomas Byron; Clerk/Secretary/Tax Collector/Treasurer: Aimee Nelson.

Guest: Raymond Reynolds, Liana Walker, Alec Reynolds, Jacelyn Lappin, Thomas Fernands, Brian Blake, Colleen Sullivan and Travis Sullivan

Meeting called to order by Selectperson Brian Piper at 7:00 p.m.

A. Approval of March 15, 2023 Minutes

Vote: Unanimous

B. Approval of Warrants

Payroll Warrant 12:	\$2,018.16 signed- 03/20/2023
Warrant 13:	\$12,087.17 signed- 03/20/2023
Warrant 14:	\$99,291.40 signed- 03/27/2023
Payroll Warrant 15:	\$3,673.10 signed- 04/03/2023
Warrant 16:	\$43,245.20 signed- 04/03/2023

Vote: Unanimous

C. Plow Bids: The Town of Troy received two bids. The Select Board opened up the bids:

First Bid: Alec Reynolds: combined three-year contract for a total of: \$794,400.00
(First year- \$240,000, Second year- \$264,000 and Third year- \$290,400)

Second Bid: Colleen & Travis Sullivan: combined three-year contract for a total of: \$736,761.00
(First year- \$238,247, Second year- \$245,513 and Third year- \$253,001)

Selectperson, Thomas Byron did a motion to accept Colleen & Travis Sullivan's bid (It was a combined total of \$57,639 less) Selectperson, Richard Montana Seconded and Selectperson, Brian Piper said Unanimous.

Liana Walker asked since the plow bid is more then what is budgeted for what will have to happen? Selectperson, Brian Piper said the town will have to have a special town meeting to raise the funds.

D. Old Business:

1. Fire Pond & Access- Selectperson, Richard Montana explained that Joyce Benson has been to Augusta to apply for grants for the project. The Town will need to get permits because the locations are considered wetland.
2. Performance Reviews- The Select Board set the date and time for the reviews, April 14, 2023 @ 4:00 pm during that time The Select Board will go into Executive Session to perform the reviews.
3. BB Cook Light- Selectperson, Brian Piper asked why there will still be a roughly \$20.00 CMP bill if the light is turned off. Selectperson, Thomas Byron purchased 2 solar lights and will be installing them soon. Selectperson, Thomas Byron replied that it is the minimum fee for being connected to power. Selectperson, Richard Montana commented that maybe the power at BB Cook should be turned off since the building is never used. Brian Blake asked if there was a back door to the building and if the building is handicap accessible. There was discussion about what if the town was to get rid of the building, Thomas Fernands and Selectperson, Brian Piper said that the deed/will and/or trust fund needs to be checked to see what the guidelines were when the property was left to the town before anything. *STTS* Aimee Nelson will find the deed/will and/or trust fund and see what the guidelines are.
4. Oil Bids- Bids will be opened at the next Select Board's meeting on April 19, 2023.

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5. Bulky Waste Day- May 20, 2023 & September 16, 2023- 9:00am- 1:00 pm at the Troy Volunteer Fire Department.
6. Dwelling Letters- CEO, Randolph Hall sent out 5 letters explaining to property owners that the dwellings located on their properties are illegal and dwelling permits need to be done. Two of the properties have done the applications and are approved, one of the properties sold the camper and it has been moved off the property (there is an agreement that the rest of the items on the property will be removed in the next 30 days), Another one the property owners has passed away and a lawyer has contacted Randy and will be taking care of the permit. The last one the owner didn't accept the letter; Randy will stop and talk to the property owner. Liana Walker asked about a trailer location on North Dixmont Road. *STTS* Aimee Nelson said they do have a dwelling permit for it.

E. Guest: Liana Walker wanted to discuss Communication with the Select Board. Liana said the web site is a good start but older people in town don't use computers and not the entire town has fiber as an option for internet. Liana looked into bulk mailing, it would cost .20 an item for it to be mailed out and papers can be added to the tax bill that would have town information on it (when meetings are, Selectpersons name, town office information, ect). Liana also would like to have a mass email that would go out to everyone that gave their email address to the Town Office. She also commented that Unity Town Meeting was videoed, that way people could watch it anywhere. Thomas Fernands commented for the town to stay off of a spam list/ black list any emails of 50 or more can get a domain name blocked. So the town would need to subscribe to Constant Contactor, MailChimp, or something similar.

Liana commented she would like to have residents join the Committees and Boards in town, including Planning Board. It is a conflict of interest for Randy as he is doing a lot. Most of the members are no longer active and Budget Committee. Alec Reynolds comments the younger generation is not getting involved, it is a downfall. Liana volunteered to help in any way to help get the communication out. Liana also asked about why is it ok for Charlie Henderson to have his equipment outside of his residence on the side of Bangor Rd. *STTS* Aimee Nelson responded that the Department of Environmental Protection has been there a few times and said nothing, The state and local cops have been called and nothing happens. There have been accidents there because drivers cannot see around his equipment to see what is coming out of the driveway and nothing is ever done. The Select Board agrees. Liana also would like to have the Select Board minutes on the web page. *STTS* Aimee Nelson replied that it is something I'm working on and it will be done soon.

F. New Business:

1. Fire Department Incentive Pay- The Fire Department submitted their incentive pay for December and January in the end of January but the Fire Department was out of Incentive Pay Fund so the Select Board reviewed the pay and told *STTS* Aimee Nelson to table this until the new budget and available funds. The Select Board approved (Motion- Richard Montana, Second- Thomas Byron, Vote: Unanimous) the Incentive Pay to be paid out.
2. Oaths- The Select Board approved the following oaths:
 - Jane McLaughlin- Animal Control Office
 - Randolph Hall- Local Plumbing Inspector
 - Richard Montana- Emergency Management Agent
 - Randolph Hall- Code Enforcement Officer
 - Crystal Nichols- Sexton
3. 30-45 Day Notices- 2022 nonpaid property tax notices went out on March 28, 2023. The taxes will go to lien on May 5, 2023. The breakdown for what was sent out:
 - 86 Property Owners received Certified Letters
 - 27 Mortgage Holders received not-Certified Letter
 - 3 New Property Owners received non-Certified Letters

G. Notification of Intent to Harvest: Reviewed

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H. Transfers: None

I. Correspondence for Review: Reviewed

J. Adjournment: 7:44 p.m.

Minutes Approved at Select Board's Meeting: April 19, 2023 Aimee Nelson
*STTS- Secretary to the Select Board*STTS*