

Selectmen Meeting Minutes – August 8, 2018

PRESENT:

Selectmen Chair: Errol Peters

Selectmen: Michael Ransmeier, Jennifer Locke

In attendance: Andy Brackett, Gayle Clement, Heidi Sagar

On Monday 8/6/18 the Landaff Select Board joined Lisbon at their regular meeting along with the Lyman Select Board to discuss the transfer station. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss staffing challenges, and the difficulty of finding and maintaining employees with the current hours. It was decided that Lisbon would start slowly phasing out Sundays and discuss with the current employees where the hours would be made up, possibly Wednesday evenings. Issues to be discussed further in the future included whether lighting would be necessary in the winter, whether additional dumpster space would be helpful, and whether it made sense for the transfer station to continue to accept paper when it currently costs the town money to dispose of it.

OPEN SESSION:

The selectmen began their regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00PM

Andy Brackett- Came in to provide an update on the washout clean up from the big storm, and to update the registration on the truck.

Heidi Sagar – Updated the board that she will be gone the week after next but will do the bills and payroll ahead of time, the board acknowledged how much help she has been during this time. Michael inquired on the status of the check for the Jesseman property and it is ready for the registry of deeds.

Gayle Clement- Review of mail- updated license approval requested for Mr. Heaters for gunsmithing repairs and sales. Another job application was received it was decided to hold on this until the scheduled interviews were conducted.

Reviewed and approved bills to pay- bills included for the forester review for tax warrants, cost of the mower for the town, and miscellaneous others.

Errol Peters- One of the three interviewees dropped out due to travel distance from Lyndonville, VT.

Mike Ball and James Santaw – Mike and James came to discuss the request Mike filed for the board to appoint James as deputy fire warden. Michael R. and Errol voiced their concerns about the illegal burning being conducted near James's house and that James had not taken action to stop it. James responded that he had discussed the burning with his landlord/person responsible and explained to him what he couldn't do and that he had not been home to witness anything illegal. Errol provided James with the number for the forest ranger as a contact in the future if James needed backup on similar issues, and the board acknowledged that if he became deputy fire warden that would add authority to James statements about what a person could burn or not burn. The board stated that at this time they would not be appointing James as Deputy fire warden because the town already has two documented deputy fire wardens. Mike had not spoken with these other deputies (Doug Erb, and Richard Fenoff) but had concerns about what they were registered as being able to do with the state. The Board asked Mike to talk with the current deputies and determine what he needed as fire warden from them

and whether they were able to do what he needed and then if it turned out he did need additional deputy fire wardens the board would consider requests for appointments. The board also agreed to put the fire warden and deputy fire warden information on the website so people would know who to contact for permits etc.

Mike Ball also notified the board that the water bill from Lisbon had been paid.

Errol- Received the timber cut final report for Stacey Thompson the board will have a warrant to sign next week. There was an error in the timber tax warrant there was more money in the escrow account for the company that had prepaid a bond than was calculated before, Errol will issue a corrected tax warrant.

Minutes- approved the minutes from 8/1/18

Job Opening- The board agreed to interview the two current candidates starting at 7:30 on Thursday and then respond to other applicants after as needed. Jenn will post the closed meeting notice on the door, through the Landaff ledger and on the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05PM

The foregoing minutes were approved on August 22, 2018 by the following members of the Board:

Errol S. Peters

Michael M. Ransmeier

Jennifer L. Locke