Town of Westmore

54 Hinton Hill Road

Municipal Building

April 7th 2025

6 PM Select Board Meeting

Select Board Meeting Minutes

A resident or a member of the public body or the press may request remote access to the public body's next regular meeting by submitting to the town clerk a request, in writing, at least two business days before the meeting.

Anyone wishing to speak must be signed in and acknowledged by the chair before speaking. You must also Identify yourself before speaking. We want to hear from you, but need the understanding that time during meetings is limited thus very important to us as a board making decisions for the town. Please keep comments or statements concise and to the point. Time limits may be set if public comments dominate large portions of time.

In attendance: David Stevens, Bill Perkins, Miriam Simmonds, Isaiah Casey, Daniel Sicard, Maree Bushey, Ellie Majchrzak, Nigel Freind, Kathy Holmes, John Zimmer, Bob Kennedy, Danielle Bassignani, Andrew Zebrowski and Donna Duguz-smith, and Carol Davis by zoom.

David opened meeting @ 6pm

Additions and adjustments to agenda:

Dan asked to add excavator to agenda

John asked to add about checks

And Isaiah mentioned email to add bout agricultural leasing of town land

David made motion to approve additions and adjustments Miriam seconded motion passed

Over weight permits (Barrett Trucking, and AmeriGas Propane)

Bill motioned to approve over weight permits

Isaiah Seconded, motion passed, David to sign

MRGP sign to pay

Bill motioned to approve MRGP annual report and sign, David seconded, motion passed

 Willoughby lake store application for renewal 1st class and 3rd class license as well as outdoor consumption permit, tobacco license, and tobacco substitution license Bill motioned to approve, Miriam seconded, motion passed

Paving bids for 1 section on each, long pond road and Peene hill road.

2 bids opened discussion that Hutchins only bid on 2" thick if we have thicker its price per ton more. There was discussion on going thicker than 2" in hills, also discussion on other paving options places as paving is relatively cheap compared to market projections for future years, other spots were mentioned but not voted to do at this point.

Pike entered 1 bid at 2" thick and 1 bid at 2.25" thick. The bids were as fallows

Bid #1 pike industries Inc.

2" long pond 1900'x21.5'x2" = 504tons

2" Peene hill rd. 1215'x21.5'x2" = 333 tons

Bid state 827 tons at \$94.95/ton =\$78,523.65

100-ton shoulder gravel\$59.63/ton=\$5963.00

Total of\$ 84,486.65

Bid # 2 J. Hutchins Inc.

Long pond 493 tons' x \$101.71/ton \$50,143.03

Peene hill 323 tons' x \$101.71/ton\$32,852.33

Shoulder gravel 121 tons' x \$55/ton\$ \$6,555.00

Total of \$89,650.36

Isaiah made a motion to award the bid to Pike industries Inc. with the paving price of \$94.95 per ton on both long pond road and Peene hill road.

Bill seconded. Motion passed.

Culverts:

Dan has hope to order what we can for culverts before tariffs grow larger. He is getting several quotes to get best bang for our buck.

Bill motioned to let Dan order up to \$12,000 in culverts as budgeted. Isaiah seconded. Motion passed.

Transfer station and recycling:

Dan proposed moving recycle pick up from Thursday to Wednesday, will make more sense as help goes, and it will be open same day as pickup.

Bill made a motion to approve, Miriam seconded motion passed.

- Chloride Tabled contract not in from contractor yet.
- Transfer station garage door and windows.

Dan pointed out garage door hard to open for the crew, windows rotten door rusty. Needs work/ replacements asked what the board would like to do. Bill and Miriam both would like to look at them before decision made. Bill motioned to table until looked at. Miriam seconded

Excavator:

Cat came out looked at the excavator, they said the fuel injector needs replacement. Cat is having a hard time finding part as they made limited number of that style. If can't find new the fix would be pull out send out to remanufacture then put back in machine when fixed. Discussion if another mechanic should look at is was mentioned.

Isaiah made a motions for Dan to contact cat if they can't get a replacement asap, come take injector out to send for remanufacturing to get machine back up and running for it is the busy season for use of that machine.

Bill seconded. Motion passed.

Sherriff billing discussion:

John mentioned the sheriffs billing looks to be they are billing us more during the winter spring months than the summer fall months stating this seems like when we have more people her we have less sheriff hrs. and less people more hours this didn't make sense to the board. The board asked john to reach out to Sherriff Harlow to come in to talk about resolution also there is zero tickets being made out and zero revenue being made but the sheriff bill goes up. Speed limits mentioned as well.

Speed limits on rte. 16 board to meet with Eric pope for other business on april30th we will ask then but speed limit on 16 to be addressed when rte. 16 project is completed

Board agreed to have john make a list of issues to give sheriff Harlow and reach out to her to invite her to a future meeting to discuss speed, contracted service, and when hrs. are needed, and lack of enforcement and ticketing of speeding which causes revenue.

Leasing Agricultural town land

Andrew Zebrowski came to board meeting to ask the Westmore select board with the town looking for more revenue places to offset budgets, if the town select board would entertain the idea of leasing some town land for maple sugaring, and also an acre or so to start up a small Apiary. The town must have forester look and Andrew would like to look at costs to see what he could do as far as pricing etc.

- Nemrc Pay roll agreement signature needed Bill motioned to sign, Miriam seconded. Motion passed David signed
- Emergency reserve fund policy Bill motioned to sign policy, Miriam seconded, motion passed to sign
- Merp Vendors Possibly award contracts:

One engineer recommends nothing says town garage is plenty strong to add solar panels. One engineer said to add some reinforcing 2x4 purlins to make sure there is no shifting between rafters. Cost about \$1000.

As the town paid for both engineering studies we now own both plans. Not owned by a single contractor.

John recommends Peirce construction which is a time and materials cost not a firm number bid. He felt they were very upfront and honest and easy to work with answering questions etc.

Miriam motioned to accept bid and approve to move forward with Peirce construction.

Bill seconded, motion passed

10-year capitol plan

John, Dan, Isaiah offered to work on together. David to make a motion to make a subcommittee for a 10 year working capital plan, then return to select board at a future date to look at review change plan to complete.

- Donna Duguz asked to be put on next board meeting for Nek broad ban.
- Marry helped tonight with zoom and offered to help as needed with zoom meetings.
- March 24th meeting minutes tabled
- March 28th 2025, Bill made a motion to approve the minutes from 3/28/25, David seconded, motion passed.
- Accounts payable: Check Number :26139 was made out to wrong payee. Was made out to Giunge construction, needs to be re issued to Mary Theotokos Center.
- Bill made a motion to approve payroll #7 David seconded.
- Bill made a motion to approve accounts payable, minus check #26139, David seconded.
- David motioned to adjourn the meeting at 820 pm bill seconded

Prepared by Isaiah Casey

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Peter Hyslop.