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KIRBY SELECTBOARD MEETING

July 7, 2025 6:00 pm

The Selectboard met at the Kirby Town Hall on July 7th, 2025. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Keith Isham at 6:03 p.m.

Those present were: Selectpersons:

Keith Isham, Michael Bickford and Jeffrey Hayes

John Ohina – Road Foreman

Erin Patoine – Town Clerk

Keith Wooster – Emergency Management Rep

Larry Dwyer – Lyndon Sno-Cruisers

Visitors:

Larry Dwyer was in attendance to represent Lyndon Sno-Cruisers. The group has secured funding through VAST to install a skidder bridge and multiple culverts on Bennett Road Trail. He asked the Selectboard for permission to work on the road, which the Selectboard signed. He also stated that if (at any point) the trail is discontinued, the group will sell the bridge to the Town of Kirby for $1.00.

Keith Wooster came to discuss FEMA reimbursement. He believes the town will receive some reimbursement starting in the next couple of weeks. He and Leslie have started working on the July 10th storm submission.

Additions: Bond Bank loan closing has been moved from July 9th to July 23rd.

Mike Bickford signed a contract for Ruggles Engineering for FEMA work. He also signed an Army permit application for the Engineer.

Keith Isham made the motion to approve the minutes from the June 2nd and June 5th Selectboard meetings. Jeff Hayes seconded. So voted.

Road Report – John has been working on roads as needed, while using up some vacation time from 2024. He is currently waiting on guardrails for Town Hall Road and Mud Hollow.

The Selectboard set the 2025 tax rate as follows:

Homestead 1.6306

Non Residential 1.6705

Keith Isham made the motion to approve, seconded by Jeff Hayes. So voted.

Mike Bickford signed two overload permits for Beacon (Consolidated Communications).

The Selectboard tabled the Concord Fire Contract, as they hadn’t received an answer about the four hour minimum. Linda or Susan (Concord) will be in touch with their Selectboard’s answer.

Tax Sale Update – Bassett property is paid for 2024, tax sale canceled.

Marcy property sale is currently pending. Scheduled to close a couple of days after the tax sale, so the realtor and attorneys are trying to move up the closing. Waiting to hear back.

Nemeth property – Did make contact by phone with him. He should be sending a check, which should hopefully will make it in time.

Town Truck Update – Erin has moved money from both equipment CDs into a new checking account to pay for the truck. Waiting on delivery. Should be late July or early August unless it has changed.

No updates with road construction, waiting on culvert bids. The Selectboard asked the Town Clerk to put the red truck out to bid, with a reserve of $7500, which is the amount they would receive as a trade in on the new truck. John will provide Erin with the necessary information.

Selectmen reviewed bills and signed orders.

The next regular Selectboard meeting will be held Monday, August 4th at 6:00 pm.

A Motion to adjourn was made by Keith Isham, seconded by Jeffrey Hayes. So voted.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Town Clerk