

Preliminary Minutes

Town of Plymouth, Vermont

Select Board - Regular Meeting

Monday, October 16, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

Board Members Present:

Jay Kullman Rick Kaminski Keith Cappellini

Staff Members Present:

Angela Kissell Elaine Pauley Michael Coleman
Michelle Pingree (zoom)

Others Present:

Bruce Pauley Frank Vetere Carol Goodwin
Kent Chamberlain Craig OBriskie Karen Evans
Fran Kissell Mike Oloughlin (zoom)
Todd Mennes (zoom) Rose Vetere (zoom)

1. Call to Order:

- a. Jay Kullman called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. Consideration of Any Changes, Additions or Removals to Agenda:

- a. None

3. Approve Meeting Minutes:

- a. **Jay made a motion to approve the September 18, 2023 regular meeting minutes. Rick seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

4. Question & Answer Session w/Regard to Municipal Building Project (15 mins allotted):

- a. Rick Kaminski gave an update that 40% of the building renovation project was done. There is still a long way to go, but we wanted to get the staff back in the building. We added three (3) new energy recovery units (ERU) as well as a lot of new technology to include motion sensor lights. We still need to do the exterior wall panels. The temperature is really driving the work and there are things that will have to wait until Spring. The heat pumps still need to be done and the garage bays need a lot of work.
- b. Carol Goodwin asked how far on the roof.
- c. Rick added that the roofers were coming at the beginning of November. We are looking to get the building air tight to retain heat and efficiency.
- d. Carol Goodwin asked how long before the roof would be done?
- e. Rick added two to three weeks.

5. ARPA Grants:

- a. Jay Kullman gave an overview of the ARPA Funds and what the requirements were for businesses to get reimbursement from this Grant.

- b. Jay added that there were still uncommitted funds in the amount of \$3,678.00. He said that Al Baram inquired to see if funds were still available. Jay said that he would need to go inspect the property and obtain photos and documentation before the funds would be released.
- c. **Rick made a motion to approve the request to disburse the uncommitted funds to Al Baram. Keith seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

6. Money Brook:

- a. Jay Kullman started by saying that there have been a lot of questions around Money Brook. He added that he is trying to get Marie Caduto, Tactical Basin Planner from ANR on the agenda for the next Select Board Meeting on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. We are looking to get information on getting it fixed. Who do we push? It will likely cost millions of dollars.
- b. Keith asked if Two Rivers had a plan. He thought one had been proposed before.
- c. Jay thought that work had been done in the past, but a lot of it probably got washed out.
- d. Frank Vetere asked about the erosion work. Why didn't they spray something on it so the sediment doesn't continue to wash out.
- e. Jay said that nothing would be done before winter.
- f. Rick asked how it factored if it is on private property?
- g. Jay commented that the State owns the water.
- h. Jay asked Angela if we could find a place on the website to put the studies that were done by the State.
- i. Fran Kissell asked if the Town has spoken to the Lake Rescue Association?
- j. Jay said that we have their information and will invite them to the meeting.

7. Review and Approve 2023 Post Flood Paving Project RFP:

- a. Jay said that we were going to review the bid(s) for the paving project.
- b. Rick opened and read that Pike Industries submitted a bid to pave Kingdom Road plus additional roads that need paving . That bid came in at \$294,079.50.
- c. Rick added that they would be meeting with Highway Foreman, Larry Lynds to discuss the bid.
- d. Craig Obriskie added that he lives on Kingdom Road and wanted to know if we could change the speed limit to 25 MPH. Maybe consider it. He also noted that Jeff Sailer did a fantastic job on the road.
- e. Rick Kaminski said that we can post a cautionary sign.
- f. Karen Evans added that there was possibly a blocked culvert on Pollards Road.
- g. Rick said that he would take a look tomorrow. Rick also added that the roads are about 70% repaired and should be approximately 95% done by November 1. He said that we have come a long way. He also noted that the costs are dramatically less than what the AOT initially estimated.
- h. Jay added that the highway department has been working long days. Normally, they do four (4) 10-hour days but since the flood they have been working six (6) to seven (7) days a week and 10 to 12 hours a day. Rick also complimented Larry Lynds on all of his work and leadership through this entire process.

8. Mail and Warrants:

9. Other Business:

- a. Kent Chamberlain spoke about the conditions of the road on Round Top. He said that they are losing the road daily. He did say that he had a conversation with Larry about this and maybe by mid-November, it would be fixed.
- b. Rick added that he hoped by the beginning of November.
- c. Kent also mentioned the recent fire on Round Top. There were concerns on the lack of service and being unable to dial 911.

- d. There was a lot of conversation between residents about what could be done to have a working system.
- e. The conversation concluded with a request that the Town Clerk put emergency contact numbers on the Town website.

10. Possible Executive Session:

- a. Went into executive session at 7:05 p.m.
- b. Executive session ended at 8:00 p.m.

11. Adjourn

- a. **Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.**

Next Meeting will be Monday, November 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Angela Kissell
Recording Secretary
Town Clerk

Select Board

Jay Kullman, Chair

Rick Kaminski

Keith Cappellini