

Readfield Select Board Regular Meeting Minutes – February 19, 2019

Select Board Members Present: Dennis Price, Christine Sammons and Kathryn Woodsum

Excused Absence: Bruce Bourgoine and John Parent

Others Attending: Eric Dyer (Town Manager), Kristin Parks (Board Secretary), William Starrett (Channel 7)

Mrs. Sammons called the Select Board meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

- **19-074 – Minutes: Select Board meeting minutes of February 4, 2019**
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Woodsum to approve the Select Board meeting minutes of February 4, 2019 as presented, **second** by Mr. Price. **Vote** 3-0 in favor.
- **19-075 – Warrants #34-35 (FY19)**
 - Mr. Price reviewed Warrants #34-35 (FY19)
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Price to approve Warrants #34-35 (FY19) in the amount of \$55,148.09, **second** by Mrs. Woodsum. **Vote** 3-0 in favor.

Communications

- **Select Board Communications**
 - Mr. Price asked for people to please help out with Heritage Days. Contact Mr. Price by email, check out the Facebook page or stop by the Town Office. Looking for people to organize, plan and marketing strategies along with people the day of Heritage Days to help out.
 - Mrs. Woodsum spoke that we just had the Annual Chairs meeting prior to this meeting with the various committees and wanted to say thank you to everyone for coming. A reminder that Robin Lint is retiring and her last day is March 1st which from 12:00-3:30 pm there will be a hello, goodbye, thank you gathering at the Town Office.
- **Staff Reports**
 - Mr. Dyer went over the Treasures Report for January 2019
- **Boards, Committees, Commissions & Departments**
 - Conservation Commission minutes of 6/12, 10/9, 11/13 and 12/18/2018
 - Solid Waste & Recycling Committee minutes of October 17, 2018
 - Cobbossee Watershed District minutes of December 11, 2018
 - Thank you for submitting your minutes*
- **Public Communications - Members of the public may address the Select Board on any topic**
 - None

Appointments, Reappointments and Resignations

- **19-076 – Consider the resignation of Emily Roderick from the Planning Board**
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Woodsum to accept the resignation of Emily Roderick from the Planning Board due to her schedule being very busy, **second** by Mr. Price. **Vote** 3-0 in favor.

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New Business:

- **19-077 – Consider requesting a traffic and speed study on North Road**
 - Mr. Dyer went over a letter to Dave Allen, of Maine DOT requesting a traffic and speed study on the North Road, mainly at the beginning of the road near the Transfer Station entrance.
 - **Motion** made by Mr. Price to authorize the Town Manager to send the letter written on the behalf of the Select Board in requesting a traffic and speed study on the North Road from the beginning of Route 17 to the transfer station/bus garage entrance area. **Second** by Mrs. Woodsum. **Vote** 3-0 in favor.
- **19-078 – Consider pending real estate foreclosures**
 - Mr. Dyer gave a brief introduction on the real estate foreclosure process. As of today we are down to about a half dozen properties which a few will be taken care of tomorrow. Cliff Buuck has been filling in for the CEO and has done some of the pre-foreclosure inspections and completed the forms which have been supplied to the Select Board.
 - No action currently needed from the Select Board at this time.
- **19-079 – Consider a process for Select Board vote or comment on pending State legislation**
 - Mr. Woodsum feels it's a great idea; thank you to Mr. Parent for suggesting it and Mr. Bourgoine for moving forward with it. Mrs. Sammons and Mr. Price agree as well.
 - Mr. Dyer will bring items to the Select Board at an upcoming meeting.
- **19-080 – Consider a revised proposal for police dispatching services**
 - Mr. Dyer gave a brief introduction on the police dispatching services and the options and services that are being proposed. A better option to stay with MRCC until issues can be resolved. All comes down to a software issue and which one is better. Suggested by Mr. Dyer to work with the proposal that Gardiner has come forward with and work together as a group and not break off into multiple smaller groups and the competing software issues. Feels this is the best option.
 - Discussion amongst the Select Board and what they feel would be a better option for the town and saving money.
 - **Motion** made by Mrs. Woodsum that the Town of Readfield supports staying with the MRCC for the next 3 years until the Emergency Communication Board can decide how the issue can be resolved. **Second** by Mr. Price. **Vote** 3-0 in favor.

Future Agenda Items:

- Monday, February 25th at 6:00 pm will be the Fire Station tour and then around 6:30 pm will be the Library tour to talk about challenges and concerns. Possibly walk up to the Post Office regarding the visibilities and safety concerns afterwards.
- Next regular Select Board meeting is scheduled for March 4, at 6:30 pm.

Motion made by Mr. Price to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm, **second** by Mrs. Woodsum. **Vote** 3-0 in favor.

Minutes submitted by Kristin Parks, Board Secretary