

Poultney Board of Selectmen
Meeting

Monday, October 22, 2018 – 6:30 pm

Poultney Town Hall

Agenda

- 1) Adoption of the Agenda
- 2) Approval of Minutes: 10/8/18
- 3) Public Comments and Concerns
- 4) Road Report
- 5) Town Manager's Report
 - Bid openings: Young At Heart floor
 - Tax Sales: October 26, 2018
- 6) Transact Any Other Lawful Business
- 7) Executive Session
- 8) Health Officer's Report
- 9) Rutland Regional Planning Commission
- 10) Board Orders
- 11) Adjourn

Meeting Minutes

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Jeff King, called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Jeff King, Frank Fressie, Terry Williams, Tom Coloutti, and George Miller. Others present included Paul A. Donaldson, Town Manager, Todd Davis from Russell Construction, Tyler Ballard from Castleton University and Betsy Sinnott.

Adoption of the Agenda: Tom Coloutti made a motion to adopt the agenda. Frank Fressie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Terry Williams made a motion to approve the minutes of 10/8/18. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comments and Concerns: Tyler Ballard stated he was here to observe as part of his education at Castleton University.

Road Report:

Ron Kelley reported the following:

- The crew replaced a 3-foot culvert with a 5-foot culvert on Route 140 near the Middletown Springs line. ANR allowed us to slightly change the direction of the culvert so as to prevent the stream from further hitting directly on the shoulder of the road.
- We have put up 3,000 yards of winter sand.
- One truck is set up for winter maintenance, and another will be done tomorrow.
- Ron has graded Finel Hollow.
- Working on Highland Grey paperwork for grants
- Ron is getting together truck prices and excavation quotes. He believes the current excavator is worth about \$15,000.
- Tom Coloutti questioned when the crew will go back to a 5-day work week as he stated it seems some good days are missed with a 4-day week. Ron stated it would be soon.

Town Managers Report:

Young At Heart: The bids were opened for the Young At Heart floor. Three bids were received:

1. Russell Construction Services: \$99,400.00
2. Wright Construction Company: \$89,294.00
3. VMS Construction: \$88,000.00

Discussion followed regarding the bids and the Scope of Work. Donaldson did receive a scope of work for the project but much of it was technical things. Terry Williams made a motion to table the matter to allow the board to review the scope of work. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion passed. Paul Donaldson will circulate the scope of work to the board, and discuss with NBF on how we can get the bids down some. Tom Coloutti questioned how the town would fund the floor repair. Paul Donaldson and Jeff King reminded the board that the discussion and agreement amongst the board was to fund the project from the delinquent tax collection proceeds.

Tax Sales: Paul Donaldson discussed the tax sales coming up on October 26, 2018. Donaldson had provided the board members with copies of the Lister card for the property that remain active in the tax sales. Discussion followed on whether the Town should bid on properties if no other parties bid, particularly if the Town is concerned about hazardous contamination. Discussion followed. Terry Williams made a motion to authorize Paul Donaldson to bid on all properties at the tax sale should no other bidder make a bid at the minimum required bid. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Transact Any Other Lawful Business:

Jeff King mentioned that the Farm To Table event that was held at the Whaleback Vineyard was very successful. He wondered if it would be a good idea for the Town to contribute by looking into purchasing a tent. Discussion followed, with no action taken.

Tom Coloutti questioned when the board will start to review budgeting. Donaldson stated that he has started to look at the end of year reports and will share them with the board soon.

Health Officer: None.

Executive Session: None.

Rutland Regional Planning Commission: Terry Williams has advised the RRPC that there has been more action taken on the Dollar General, specifically the petitions that the Poultney Planning Commission are to entertain soon.

Board Orders:

Frank Fressie made a motion to pay board orders. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Frank Fressie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Tom Coloutti seconded the motion. Motion carried.

s/Paul A. Donaldson