

Poultney Board of Selectmen  
Meeting  
**Monday, July 13, 2020 – 6:30 pm**  
Poultney Town Hall  
Agenda

1) Adoption of the Agenda

2) Approval of Minutes:            June 22, 2020

3) Public Comments and Concerns

-William Osbourne re: Endless Brook Rd Nature Preserve and Parking

4) Road Report

-York Street Extension Culvert is complete  
-2 new employees have started as of this morning

5) Town Manager's Report

-Netenal Crispe request to use East Poultney Green for reenactment  
-Rutland County Sherriff Department contract  
-Slate Quarry Park bid  
-Tax Rate meeting  
-Allocations (Memorial Day, Little League, July 4, Recreation, Poultney Band)

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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### Poultney Town Hall and Virtual

Jeff King called the meeting to order. Selectmen present included: Jeff King, Terry Williams, George Miller, Carol Bunce, and Sheryl Porrier. Others present included Paul A. Donaldson, Town Manager, Ron Kelley, Highway Foreman, Paul Hancock, Barbara Scott, Jonas Rosenthal, Louis Milazzo, Marcia Angerman, David Mook, Betsy Sinnott, William Osborne, and Netanal Crispe.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** Terry Williams made a motion to adopt the agenda. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Carol Bunce made a motion to approve the minutes of June 22, 2020. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Public Comments and Concerns:** William Osborne attended the meeting to address the board regarding the condition of Endless Brook Road. He believes that the gravel material on the road is deficient, and that the ditching and culvert work needs attention. Discussion followed. The board members will review the road. Ron Kelley stated that we do not test the gravel but noted that several other towns in the area utilize the same supplier of gravel. There is some culvert work that needs to be done in the near future, and the bank stabilization work will be done sometime in August as well.

Netanal Crispe wants to use the East Poultney Green to perform reenactments and display found artifacts. Discussion followed. It was suggested that he work with the Historical Society and coordinate with one of their events.

### **Road Report:**

Ron Kelley stated that RA Filskov completed the culvert work on York Street Extension. Paving will be done in early August. The work looks very good and the State ANR is happy with the finished project.

Our two new highway crew members are now both working. we received delivery of the new chloride tank. We need to get a new trailer to fit it on. The new employee has started. The crew has been brush cutting with the excavator.

The crew has been working on Route 150, York Street Extension, with brush cutting.

### **Town Managers Report:**

Paul Donaldson presented the board with the Rutland County Sherriff contract. Discussion followed. Terry Williams made a motion to accept the contract and have Jeff King execute the same. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.

Paul Hancock and Barbara Scott updated the board on the progress of the Slate Quarry Park. The bid came in very high, and they are trying to work the numbers down, and may have to request additional bids as the only bidder was too high and the bid is expired. Discussion followed.

Paul Donaldson stated that we should schedule a Special Meeting to address the tax rate. The school rates have been set.

Discussion re: allocations for Memorial Day, Little League, Recreation, Poultney Band, and July 4. Jonas Rosenthal stated that the recreation money has already been spent and that they work very hard to raise additional funds through grants to supplement the allocation. There is 41 programs, with 28 youth assisting, with 500-600 registrations. Discussion followed. Terry Williams made a motion to provide the allocation to the Recreation Department. George Miller seconded the motion. Motion passed, with Sheryl Porrier abstaining, Carol Bunce opposed, and Terry Williams and George Miller, and Jeff King in favor.

Louis Milazzo stated he was dismayed that he was provided no notice that the board was considering not allocating to the Little League. Jeff King stated that it came up due to the COVID pandemic and budget concerns, and we should have given more notice. Mr. Milazzo stated the Little League could forego the allocation this year.

Terry Williams made a motion to allocate the Memorial Day allocation as it pays for flags. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

**Transact any Other Lawful Business:**

**Health Officer:** Paul Donaldson stated that he is working on a case along with DCF for a house in the Village.

**Rutland Regional Planning Commission:** None.

**Executive Session:** At 8:10PM Carol Bunce made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Terry Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor. At 8:16PM Carol Bunce made a motion to leave Executive Session. Sheryl Porrier seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor. No action taken.

**Board Orders:** Terry Williams made a motion to pay board orders. Carol Bunce seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** George Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carol Bunce seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

s/Paul A. Donaldson