

TOWN OF LYNDON
SELECTBOARD MEETING
August 20, 2018
5:30 PM

Selectboard

Kermit Fisher, Chair
Dan Daley
Christian Thompson

Press

Public

Dawn Dwyer, Justin Smith, Steve Gray, Annie McLean, Larry Willey, Jeff Corrow, Becky Masure and Matt Moore (5:44 PM)

1. Adjustments to the Agenda:
Rural Edge Warrant #28, Municipal Roof Project, Delay #13-CAI Mapping Discussion
2. Approval of minutes:
Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the August 6, 2018 minutes. Motion carried 3 to 0.
3. Approval & Signing of Orders drawn on the Treasurer:
The Board approved and signed the orders drawn on the Treasurer for weeks # 32 & 34.
4. Highway Report:
At 63% through the year, payroll is 64% spent and the entire budget is 43% expended. An issue was discovered while running the drainage for the Ledge Road project. The issue is the elevation and stormwater runoff. Rob Nutting and Joe Dauphin are delving deeper into a solution but the project may become larger than originally anticipated.
5. Set Hearing Date for Zoning By-Law Changes:
Annie McLean briefly explained the eight (8) changes to the Zoning By-Laws. The Public Hearing was set for September 17, 2018 at 6:00 PM.
6. Fire Department:
Chief Jeff Corrow updated the Board on the Balsam Road fire that was reported on August 12, 2018. It was on a logging site, in a very large brush and dirt pile that was located very close to the tree line. Neighbors had been smelling smoke for two week prior to the call. The best that can be determined is that spontaneous combustion caused the fire. As of today, the fire was extinguished. The Department has expended approximately \$3,000 in payroll and \$1,500 in equipment costs to fight this fire. The Board feels the landowner must be notified and held accountable for the bill.

Chief Corrow also discussed the sprinkler system in the Public Safety Building. Greg Hopkins met with Tim Stone who owns a sprinkler design company. He has quoted a fee of \$400 to design a system so that when it's put out to bid, everyone will bidding on the same scope of work.

The Selectboard suspended their meeting at 6:00 PM for the Rural Edge Public Hearing.

Becky Masure opened the floor to the public to ask questions regarding the Olivia Place project. There being none, she and Matt Moore reviewed the procedure moving forward. They are still on track to submit the application by September 4, 2018. The Rural Edge consolidated audit is completed and currently being reviewed by the CFO. They expect to go out to bid on the project in November 2018 with construction to happen in 2019.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:11 PM and the regular Selectboard meeting was resumed.

7. Rural Edge: Olivia Place Authorize Grant Application:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to authorize and sign the Olivia Place Grant application. Motion carried 3 to 0.

8. Dry Hydrant/Property Assessment Request:

Steve Downing owns land on Darling Hill that a dry hydrant sits on. He is requesting a reduction in his real estate assessment. Mr. Downing must start with addressing his concerns with the Listers with a Lister Grievance. The Municipal Administrator will advise Mr. Downing of the proper procedure to request a change of appraisal.

9. Set the Tax Rate:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the Homestead Tax Rate at \$2.1550. (General Fund \$.3272 Highway Fund \$.3209, Local Agreement Rate \$.0041 and Homestead Education Tax Rate \$1.5028) Motion carried 3-0.

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the Non-Residential Tax Rate at \$2.2654. (General Fund \$.3272, Highway Fund \$.3209, Local Agreement Rate \$.0041 and Non-Residential Education Tax Rate \$1.6132) Motion carried 3-0.

10. Access Permit:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the access permit for Joe Peters & Susan Teske for access on the west side of Kingdom Road. Motion carried 3-0. Rob Nutting, Road Foreman has inspected the location. He feels no culvert is needed at this time and there are no other conditions assessed.

11. Excess Weight Permit:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve the Fleet Excess Weight Permit with approval for Justin Smith to sign on behalf of the Board. Motion carried 3 to 0. The permit is for Jason Caruso dba JC Rendering Inc.

12. Storage Container Request for the former Town Garage Site:

Lewis Elliot from Got Trash has requested to have a storage container at the old Town Garage site on Route 114 to house bulky items collected during the week. He would then transfer all collected items on Fridays. He feels, and the Board agrees, that this will reduce the amount of collection during Bulky Week. Mr. Elliot has already provided a certificate of liability insurance certificate. Motion made by Kermit Fisher, seconded by Dan Daley, to allow for a storage container to be located at 433 East Burke Road to collect bulky items for a trial period from today until September 30, 2018 with the condition that the storage container be emptied each week on Fridays. Motion carried 3-0.

13. CAI Mapping Discussion:

Delayed to a future meeting.

14. Rural Edge Warrant:

Motion made by Dan Daley, seconded by Christian Thompson, to approve and sign the Rural Edge Warrant # 28 in the amount of \$57,928. Motion carried 3-0.

15. Snow Guards on Municipal Office Roof:

Bob Ailes of Bob Ailes Roofing, Inc. is done replacing the shingles on the last two sides of the Municipal Office Building. He is not comfortable putting the current snow guards back up. He will provide an estimate to Justin for new guards and the cost to install them.

16. Other:

- a. Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District- Steve Gray updated the Board that at the August meeting they did not have a quorum. Most of the discussion was on the permitting requirements for the Coventry landfill expansion.