

Town of Northport

Select Board Meeting

November 28, 2022 @ 6:04 pm

Chair: Shelly Patten

Vice Chair: Jeanine Tucker

Municipal Officer: Breanna Pinkham Bebb

Town Administrator: James Kossuth

Finance Director: Vicki Eugley

Town Clerk: Amy Eldridge

Road Commissioner: Amon Morse

NVC Representative: Jeffrey Wilt- Absent

**Present:** Shelly Patten, Jeanine Tucker, Breanna Pinkham Bebb, James Kossuth, Vicki Eugley, Amy Eldridge, Amon Morse.

**Citizen Concerns:** None at this time.

**NVC:** Nothing at this time.

**Road Commissioner:** Morse reported the school zone speed limit signs were delivered, but due to a missing battery the installation of the signs will be delayed. Morse also reported the bottom of the salt/sand shed door is rusted and will need to be repaired or replaced.

Tucker asked Morse about the excavator on Nealey Road that had metal tracks. Morse reported that there was no damage to the road. Morse stated an abutting property owner would like the Town to put in a ditch to catch the Priest Road run off. Morse informed the property owner that he would let the Board know of his request.

Pinkham Bebb asked Morse for an update on winter plowing. Morse reported the plow trucks use diesel and the price of diesel is over \$6.00 a gallon. Under the contract, the Town pays the fuel cost of half the difference over \$6.00. The Board asked Kossuth to speak with Bob Patterson and get his fuel use for last winter to try to figure out what it might cost this winter, with the fuel surcharge.

Morse reported the floats came out from Saturday Cove. Prock Marine removed the floats with the help of Morse and Harbormaster Scott Munroe. Morse reported that he and Munroe discussed the possibility of placing a shed on Town property to store seasonal harbor items. Morse suggested the Beech Hill Road salt shed location for the shed, and the Board agreed that Munroe should look into the cost of buying one.

**Town Administrator:**

**Town Office/Fire Station project:** Kossuth provided the Board with available dates for a workshop to discuss plans before meeting with the architect on January 23. Pinkham Bebb suggested having the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director and Fire Department Chief at the meeting. Kossuth will find out which dates work for them and schedule the meeting.

**December office hours and meeting schedule:** Kossuth provided the Board with recommended holiday office hours. The Board agreed to close the Town Office and Transfer Station on Saturday, December 24, 2022. Pinkham Bebb asked to have the Transfer Station gate open from 8:30 am to 10:30 am for the Woodshed to be open for pick-ups. Pinkham Bebb suggested putting a notice on the A-frame, the website and the Facebook page, about the transfer station being closed but the woodshed being available for scheduled pickups.

The Select Board agreed to move the meeting scheduled for December 26 to Tuesday, December 27, 2022.

Back-up Local Plumbing Inspector (LPI) job description: Kossuth provided the Board with the job description for a back-up LPI. Kossuth proposed a working schedule, training time, and salary. The Board provided feedback on the job description. Kossuth will update the job description with feedback received and invite the candidate to an upcoming Select Board meeting to finalize the contract.

Town Clerk: Nothing at this time.

Finance Director: Eugley provided the Payroll & Accounts payable warrants to the Board for review and signature. Upon review the Board approved and signed the Payroll & Accounts payable warrants.

Old Business: None at this time

New Business:

Initial discussion re formal abandonment of portions of certain roads: Kossuth described to the Board the process for formally abandoning portions of some Town roads, and reported that Town Attorney William Kelly could come to a meeting and describes the process in more detail and the pros and cons of abandoning a road. The Board agreed to invite Kelly to an upcoming meeting to discuss the process further.

**Adjourn: *Patten motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm, seconded by Pinkham Bebb. Board voted 3-0, motion passed.***

Respectfully submitted by,

Amy Eldridge