

Sullivan Select Board Meeting
May 06, 2024
5pm

Selectmen: Reginald “Bud” Means, Norman Bamford, Erin Shanahan
Town Manager: Ray Weintraub, Town Clerk: Yvette Grindle
Audience: Don Snoke, Christina McGowan, and William Andrews

Call Meeting to Order/Pledge

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by Reginald Means at 5:00 pm.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:

Erin Shanahan moved to approved the minutes from the April 22, 2024 Selectboard Meeting as written. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Adjustments to the agenda:

No adjustments to the agenda.

Treasurers Warrant:

Norman Bamford moved to accept the Treasurers Warrant as presented. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

New Business:

No new business.

Old Business:

Mass Notification Proposal : Text My Gov

The Town Manager opened the discussion with directing the Selectboard to the handout in their folders. This has a number that they could use, to tryout the service that was being recommended by the Town Manager and the Communication Committee. The cost is \$2,000 a year the first year would have an additional \$1,000 fee for setup. The service does not require an application to be downloaded, it would be text messages only. The Selectboard asked the Town Manager where it would be in the upcoming years budget and he state that it would be added in at the next budget committee meeting.

Repair to Entrances to the Town Office

The Town Manger recommended that instead of posting on notice per item needing to go out to bid, That the Town does a half page listing all the items needing to be advertised. That there are at least 5 items needing to go in the paper for bids. This likely would give us more visibility than several smaller notices.

Citizen of the Year and Spirit of America Nominations

The Town Manager stated he was going to be putting it on the website by the end of the week.

Town Manager Reports:

Town Manager

Cemetery Damage

A resident reached out to the Town Manager about people using the Blaisdell Cemetery Road like a racetrack with ATV's. The Town Manager reached out to Gary Edwards and Mr. Edwards reached out to Brian Supervisor Off Road Recreational Vehicle Program Bureau of Parks and Lands, He will be sending the Town several “No ATV Signs” to put up where needed. The Town Manager suggested putting these signs up also at the Playground and Skatepark. Also, of concern that there is to many individuals who are driving ATV's speeding up certain roads. Specifically, Taunton Drive and Tunk Lake Road. Also, large trucks (18 wheelers) going up Taunton Drive at all hours of the night. Reginald Means noted that the weight limit could not be enforced by County or State Police, it's a “Towns Constable's” job to enforce ordinance issues and Town posted roads. Erin Shanahan asked how much a constable would cost. It was discussed what would entail equipment, salary, and insurance. Question was raised about partnering with a neighboring Town.

Norman Bamford to have The Town Manager talk with Gouldsboro about the idea of joining forces on a Constable. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Grange Hall Road

A letter was offered from an individual about concerns about the condition of Grange Hall Road. It was concerned that the Fire EMS could actually get down the road. The Town Manager reached out to Fire EMS and asked if they could get down the road. They responded that they were able to get down the road okay. There is a drainage issue

that needs to be addressed fair soon but not an emergency. It was agreed that culvert should be cleaned out and the partial driveway needs to be removed on Grange Hall Road. This issue led to a lengthy discussion about which roads needed to be fixed first. It was suggested to hire the consulting company recommended by the infrastructure committee. The Selectboard suggested Mr. Andrews attend the Infrastructure Committee meetings that his insight would be a good help to them. Reginald Means noted that the Selectboard should not be the Road Commissioners as they are not qualified to handle this task. It was general conclusion that the Town Manager was to search for a Road Commissioner. William Andrews will be starting work on Taunton Drive and it was noted that there was an actual water line open right by Gordon Wharf Road. Discussion of the specification needed for the Upper Tunk Road repairs.

Norman Bamford Moved to put out to bid the Upper Tunk Road repairs. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Reginald Means asked to make sure the work had some sort of warrantee with the work.

Sullivan Fire & Rescue

No Report

Harbor Master

No Report

Executive Session:

Moved to Executive Session at 5:55pm

Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6) (F) to discuss confidential records

Out of Executive Session at 7:15pm

Reginald Means informed the Town Clerk that they approved the Conceal Carry Permit.

Motion to Adjourn

Erin Shanahan made a motion to adjourned the meeting. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 3/0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:18pm

Reginald "Bud" Means

Norman Bamford

Erin Shanahan