Select Board Meeting
August 12, 2024
5pm

Selectmen: Erin Shanahan, Norman Bamford
Town Manager: Ray Weintraub, Town Clerk: Yvette Grindle
Audience: Michael Pinkham II, Candy Eaton, Vern Campbell, Janet Jordan, Keith Hamel, Barbara Raymond, Roy Gott, Dan Pileggi, Ander Thibaud, and Michael Eastman

Call Meeting to Order/Pledge

The Meeting was called to order by Norman Bamford at 5pm with the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Erin Shanahan moved to accept the minutes from the July 22nd 2024 Selectboard meeting as written. Norman Bamford 2nd the motion, and it passed 2/0.

Adjustments to the agenda

Two items were added one by Erin Shanahan that she has a letter to read to the general audience. Norman Bamford added the second item. To vote on the new Chairman of the Board.

Treasurers Warrant

Erin Moved to approve the Treasurers Warrant as presented. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

New Business:

Erin Shanahan read aloud to the audience, Reginald Mean's letter of resignation from the Selectboard.

Norman Bamford moved to accept the letter of resignation. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

The next item of new business was voting on a Chairman of the Board.

Norman Bamford nominated himself for the Chairman of the board. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion. After a brief discussion as to weather he should be interim or not it was decided to not add interim and change at a later date if necessary. The motion carried and passed 2/0

Old Business:

RSU 24 Adult Education Contract

The Members of the Selectboard reviewed the written contract and asked for a few clarifications about the contract.

Erin Shanahan moved to accept and sign the contract as presented. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

The members of the Selectboard signed the contract and gave the signed copy to the Town Manager.

Sullivan Daze Update

The Town Manager updated the Selectboard with some unofficial numbers of monies raised. And noted that there had been a lot of great feedback and positive reaction of the Event.

Town Manager Reports:

Town Manager

The Town Manager reported that the MMA insurance inspection report came back, there is a few areas that the Town needs to address. One is the basement has a hodgepodge of items that need to be cleaned out. The Town Manager has contacted DM&J about having a large dumpster to fill with what needs to be removed from the basement. They request an Engineer to look at the salt shed. The Town Manager called Bethany Leavitt and she referred Him to a couple other engineers.

The Town Manager also discussed the over grown tree growth in a number of areas, the Thorne Road, intersection of Tunk Lake, Donnell Pond, Transfer Station Road and the need to cut along the power line at the Transfer Station as its over grown with trees causing issues with power supply.

The Town Manager also address the need to have a motion to hold an election to fill the recently open selectboard seat.

Norman Bamford moved to have an election for finish off the 8 month term of the recently open selectboard seat on November 5th 2024. Nominations to open on 8-14-24 and closing on 9-25-24. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

The last item the Town Manager asked to be addressed was changing the days the Selectboard meets so it would line up with due dates on bills and save on the interest on delayed payment of bills.

Erin Shanahan moved to hold the Selectboard meetings on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. If there is a holiday then the meetings will be held on the Tuesday after the Monday with the Holiday. Norman Bamford seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

Sullivan Fire & Rescue

Chief Pinkham discussed the reports of calls from June and July. The need to change the contract with Northern Light to get a $200.00 fee reimbursed to the Fire department to cover Personnel time and wear and tear on vehicles when doing mutual aid calls both are responding to. He also discussed that there might be a possibility of the EMS covering for Sorrento they are still working out the contract and details.

Chief Pinkham also reported that the ambulance was going in for servicing and new tires, at this time the new power lift system will be installed.

He is looking at a company in California that specializes in getting fees from individuals whom use the Fire Dept and EMS vehicles and staff for calls. These fees would only be sent to individuals whom are not citizens of the Town of Sullivan.

Harbor Master Not Present

Committee

Age Friendly

Candy Eaton Thank the Town and the Community for the recognition of her volunteer work and presenting her with the Citizen of the Year award.

Candy then went on to discuss the Community Connector starting in September. That the hours would Tuesday-Wednesday and Thursdays in the afternoon. This position is currently paid from the Federal Covid monies the hope is that when the monies run out that the value of this position is seen and would continue to be funded. One of the tasks is organizing community volunteer ride sharing/ transportation programs.

Candy gave a report about the Wednesday Concert series. Noting that 08-14-2024 is the last one of the season.

Public Comment

Barbara Raymond asked for an update about the sidewalk and fix of drainage by her property. The Town Manager stated he would call her on Wednesday.

Board Comment

None

Motion to Adjourn

Norman Bamford moved to adjourn the meeting. Erin Shanahan seconded the motion, and it passed 2/0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:55pm

Norman Bamford

Erin Shanahan