



Town of Mt. Vernon, Maine

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Mt. Vernon Selectman's Minutes

Date: 04-13-2020

Members Present: Trish Jackson, Paul Crockett (Chair), Clyde Dyar

Members Absent:

Present: Alexander Wright, Kerry Casey, Mac Hardy

Signed Warrant.

1. Call to order: 7:00 pm
2. Additions/adjustments to the Agenda:
3. Action/Discussion/Informational Items

Open Regular Meeting and Accept Minutes from 03/30/2020

Motion to accept the minutes by Dyar seconded by Jackson

Motion passed: unanimous

FY 20-21 Budget, Discussion

Crockett mentioned how he is working on Triano, to reach out and get more information. They work on the Readfield Transfer Station, to get their eco-Maine waste. Crockett asked Wright to help in getting more information from the representative.

Crockett asked Wright about the progress he is making rearranging the Land Use Ordinance book. Wright said he is waiting for a copy of the proposed ordinances from the Ordinance Committee and he will continue to work on it.

Wright presented to the Selectboard quotes for new Town Office printers and discussed the different bids and the pros and cons of each bid. Crockett mentioned he got a quote from Budget, and Wright added it to the comparison. The Selectboard asked Wright to continue to negotiate between Kyocera and Budget and discuss at the next meeting. Placeholder price for the budget \$145, along with adding color to the budget.

Crockett discussed, a new electric sign to be put in front of the town, to display upcoming events and informational messages, estimated around \$3,000. Crockett continued to discuss the specifics and the different possibilities to use the sign and how we are going to install it. Dyar wanted more information before moving forward.

The Selectboard wanted to acknowledge the sad passing of Sam Tuttle, a town resident.

Jackson wanted to acknowledge it's going to be a tight budget and wants us to be conscious of how much we spend.

The Selectboard, Casey, and Wright discussed the incoming department budgets, along with the administrative budget and further questions Casey raised with the budget committee.

COVID-19, Discussion

Crockett discussed the moving of the election and annual town meeting. Jackson acknowledged that governor Mills is moving to July 14th. Casey proposed we might entertain the possibility of continuing to budget the same for the rest of our fiscal year. Dyar mentioned some of his ideas of different ways we may be able to have the annual meeting. Crockett mentioned his position of holding off on deciding to change the voting and annual town meeting. Wright presented to the Selectboard about the informational pieces provided by the State, Federal, and MMA. One of the items effects assessing and MMA sent an article about projected revenue from the state is down and may affect revenue sharing to the towns.

Other Business

Hardy talked to the Selectboard about adding an informational portal for the public to access documents. Crockett said he would talk to Nate about the feasibility, Selectboard agreed.

Jackson wanted to mention, the Code Enforcer is still Working. Mt Vernon, the food bank needs food and money.

Hardy asked the Selectboard what the budget committee expectation. The Selectboard agreed that the expectation is the budget committee will present their budget to the Selectboard and have both proposals on the warrant to the town residents. Dyar made the position that people should have more than one choice.

4. Adjournment: 8:00 pm

Motion by Dyar seconded by Jackson to adjourn

Motion passed: unanimous