



Town of Mt. Vernon, Maine

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Mt. Vernon Selectman's Minutes

Date: 3/18/2019

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

Members Absent:

Present: Alexander Wright, Ron Lockwood, Mark Gilbert, Marti Gross.

1. Signed Warrant.
2. Call to order: 7:00
3. Additions/adjustments to the Agenda:
4. Action/Discussion/Informational Items
 - a. Approval of the minutes 3/04/2019

Motion to approve Dyar, Crockett Second

Motion passed: unanimous

- b. Municipal Budget Work

Paul talked about the TRIO and upgrading the system for our computers and servers. Gross confirmed we raised the money for the program. Gross provided information that the server upgrade would cost \$695.00 for the SQL. Crockett said he's going to confirm with the sales rep when asking about the 2020 contract price and when the contract is due.

Crockett and Dyar confirmed they want Andy to move forward with a materials list for the town office. Crockett mentioned to Dyar about the National Guard doing the work. Dyar said he had a good meeting with Colonel Mishu, they talked about the project and moving forward. Dyar going to call tomorrow for further information. Andy Dube, would help with the project, designing and getting materials. Clyde mentioned that this would be good for the town and the National Guard. Also talked about talking to the sheriff and having prisoners work on the town. Crockett spoke

about the \$9,040 municipal capital fund, see if Andy can get material list, asking if asphalt is better than steel. Dyar said he doesn't like having steel on asphalt or wood because it creates air pockets. Crockett, said they need the dimensions of the roof moving forward. Crockett said we need to replace lights and outlets for the town office. Dyar, mentioned we should continue using the funds for replacing outlets and lights then fund the roof through creating a separate warrant article. Dyar mentioned the parking outback of the town office and flooding of the basement. There was supposed to be a bathroom in the basement, however, it was not properly built. Crockett is going to look for the energy efficient results. Crockett reaffirmed that lights and outlets can to be done this year. Crockett is still working on the salary survey information. More information will be sent to the next budget meeting. Rapid renewal should be done this week or next.

Crockett said he will provide the information for budget increase for the road budget, and transfer station. Assessing, reevaluation, Dyar said we talked about this last year, state statue for reassessment is not heavily enforced. The most important ratio is the Rating of Equality, and our town should be at 20%, important for any town. Giving an example of a town that is assessed at 135% but their equality rating is good. Reaffirming that rating of equality 20 up 10 down. Dyar said we should have quarterly review for the town and need to budget it. Crockett mentioned if we priced for quarterly, Dyar said yes.

c. Updates: RSU 38, PSAP, etc.

Crockett received an estimate from Winthrop for the ambulance contract cost. PSAP, Dyar said nothing would change, cost stay the same. Crockett read a letter from PSAP, giving each towns assessed cost: \$8,912 project \$12,000. Dyar mentioned that we need to look at contracts again.

Dyar, mentioned we supplied salt and sand for the community center, proposed increasing from \$500 to \$1000 for Lee for the community center. Lee cleared a snowbank for the community center already this year so oil can be delivered.

Crockett, mentioned the RSU38, and their budget, how they are proposing 8.7% increase in the budget equating to around 1.7 million for the budget. Wright mentioned that after the meeting the School board continued the discussion of the budget and tentatively pushed for 4%, then work from there. Also the school board is going to create a committee in September to further discuss the long term future and the elementary schools. Crockett said he mentioned at the last joint meeting with the school and Selectboard, requesting a strategic budget plan for the future. Trish mentioned she voiced her concern about moving students between elementary schools and the implications.

d. Other Business

Nate Savage Contract

Motion to accept by Dyar seconded by Jackson.

Motion passed: unanimous

Community School Concepts

Motion for Crockett to write letter to the organization. Seconded by Dyar

Motion Passed: Unanimous

Appointments

The following persons were reappointed to the corresponding committees till June 30th 2019.

1. Richard Goucher to Beach Committee
2. Kenneth Scheno to Appeals Board alternate
3. Gerhart Von Hauenschild to Appeals Board
4. Scott Herrick to Appeals Board
5. Gerhart Von Hauenschild to Beach Committee
6. Dan Onion to Health Officer
7. Carl Rogers to Appeals Board
8. Randall Oakley to Appeals Board
9. Katie Farrin to Budget Committee
10. Malcom Hardy to Budget Committee

Motion by Dyar to accept all reappointments listed, seconded by Trish

Motion passed: unanimous

5. Adjournment: 7:49pm

Motion to Adjourn by Dyar seconded by Jackson

Motion passed: unanimous