

Mt. Vernon Selectboard Minutes – DRAFT

March 29, 2021

Board Members Present: Sherene Gilman, Paul Crockett, Mac Hardy (Chair)

Support Staff & Guests Present: Kerry Casey, Melanie Knox, Katie Farrin, Ron Lockwood and Mark Gilbert.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Hardy at 7:03 pm

Additions/Adjustments to Agenda. Add #5 Grinding Costs for Maine Custom Woodlands and under #8 Mike Wenzel and what he's done & fire station meeting with Ed Ketch, Mac and CMP as well as Lee's road list schedule.

Motion & Discussion on Accepting Minutes from 3/15/2021. Selectman Gilman motioned to accept minutes as written. 2nd by Selectman Crockett. Vote was Unanimous.

Budget Review Discussion.

- ✓ Selectman Crockett motioned to accept \$550 estimate from Sunny Day Cleaning to strip and wax floors on April 16th. 2nd by Selectman Gilman. Vote was Unanimous.
- ✓ Selectboard reviewed current working budget and added social service figures that were available. Chairman asked Treasurer if she could project revenue for local road assistance and municipal revenue sharing by adding an additional 20-30% to last year's figures as that information won't be available until late May and we are meeting to finalize the budget on April 26. Katie stated that the budget committee had been focused on expenses and not revenues to date.
- ✓ Andrew Marble, Code Enforcement Officer, has resigned and will be difficult to replace. Some towns fund this position 100% using fees charged. Some share one employee between two towns. More information to come.
- ✓ Office 365 will cost approximately \$2,000.
- ✓ Selectman Gilman asked Treasurer to add capital line in fire department budget.
- ✓ Chairman Hardy recommends \$135,000 for transfer station budget with what we carry and all.

The budget committee will be meeting with the Selectboard via Zoom on Monday, April 5th at 6:30 pm.

OTHER:

1. It has been determined that Marjorie Jacobs is the oldest citizen at 96 years old. More to come.
2. CTAM basically equal rights for use of the poles and lines that cable tv has the right to use.
3. Melanie will start tutorial for WIX on Monday and work on getting new website live by July 1.
4. Spectrum Franchise-Tabled till next meeting
5. Committee Policy Non-Residents-Tabled till next meeting
6. FEMA money-Tabled till next meeting

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7. Selectboard signed several appointments to committees and oaths will be administered as needed.
8. CMP declined to pay for the price of hooking the lines from the fire department to the community center. Offered 3 alternatives: 1) Aerial lines from satellite station to community center; 2) Underground lines; and 3) Install Generator. Checking into CMP grant program for special projects. Looking at the school as well.
9. Mike Wenzel formerly chief purchasing officer for State of Maine is pursuing grant for school generator project.

Executive Session-Personnel Discussion 1 M.R.S.A. Subsection 405(6)(A). Selectboard members called Executive Session at 8:34 pm and excused Melanie and Kerry from the meeting. No action or vote came out of executive session.

Motion to Adjourn. Chairman Hardy motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:15 pm. 2nd by Selectman Crockett. Vote was Unanimous.