

TOWN OF SANGERVILLE
SELECT BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Beginning @ 4:00pm
Wednesday, May 08, 2024

Item 1. Open Meeting: Chair called meeting to order at 4:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

- A. Selectpersons Present: Jody Cabot (Chair), Dale Gray, Jeff Peters
- B. Employees Present: Jeff Libby, Michelle Nichols, Matthew Blockler
- C. Public Present: Paul Davis, Bruce McNaughton, Jerris Miles, Travis Labree, Tom Warren, John Armstrong, Mike Gould, Debi Gould, Toby Hall

Item 2. Open Session: Limited to 2 Minutes – Extension per Chair:

Bruce McNaughton and Tom Warren have more to discuss regarding getting an attorney to regain access to the town land. There was a discussion between the board, town manager, and the two residents. The issue is still on going.

Item 3. Approval of Minutes:

A. Select Board Meeting: 05-02-2024

Chair Cabot made a motion to approve the minutes, Selectperson Gray 2nd, all in favor.

Item 4. Review of the Treasurer’s Warrants:

A. None

Michelle didn’t have any payroll because due to the change in the general government budget she wanted to see first if she was supposed to go through with the raises for her and Sam or stick with their current pay. They are sticking with current pay due to budget cuts. No overtime.

B. Accounts Payable – #29

Selectperson Gray made a motion to approve B Chair Cabot 2nd, all in favor.

Item 5. New Business:

Competitive Bidding Discussion: Policy on competitive bidding for contractors. Maximum is \$10,000 before going out to bid. Jeff Libby would like to upgrade it to \$15,000. Chair Cabot made a motion to increase the dollar amount from \$10,000 to \$15,000 on competitive bidding, Selectperson Gray, 2nd. All in favor. The board will review the policy and the changes made.

Matt Blockler: Citizen’s Petition: He came to the meeting to discuss the options regarding the citizen’s petition and the air packs. He was looking for an answer on whether they can buy the air packs now or not. It’s up to the board when to spend the money, and right now they don’t believe is the good time to use it. The board and the residents aren’t able to come to an agreement on the issue.

Jeff Libby Town Manager: Chair Cabot made a motion to appoint Jeff Libby as town manager, health officer, and road commissioner, Selectperson Gray, 2nd. All in favor. The board signed the papers.

Item 6. Old Business: Town Meeting: Where does the town go from here after town meeting? The most important thing is to deal with the reduction in the general government budget. They discussed the differences in the budget now that it's been cut. The clerks won't get a raise. There won't be a computer and security upgrade. Still \$12,000 in the hole with the cut. There is going to have to be a special town meeting to ask for it. Parks and Rec was missed on the warrant, so the current budget only covers road maintenance and mowing. There was also discussion on the old building, and getting an engineer's report on how much it'll cost to fix it.

Item 7. Town Manager Report:

FEMA was here today to look at the cemetery. There's a preservation group. Two engineering firms need to be contacted to look at the issue, and get a plan. Jeff Libby will get in touch with them. There was discussion about the state of the bank and the trees at the cemetery.

Liquor License: Timber Hitch: Chair Cabot made a motion to approve the liquor license for Timber Hitch, Selectperson Gray, 2nd. All in favor.

Jason Higgins: His brother purchased a flag pole for the Sangerville ball field. The park road has been graded and looks great.

Item 8. Road Commissioner Report:

We've had some beaver problems. State trapper has been called in to take care of the issue. Land owners are legally allowed to dispose of nuisance beavers, but the town is not legally allowed to.

Item 9: Select Board Concerns:

None

Adjourn.

Chair Cabot a motion to adjourn at 6:46pm, Selectperson Gray, 2nd. All in favor.

THE NEXT MEETING IS MAY 22, 2024, at the Fire Station (*Agenda subject to change without notice*)

Respectfully submitted,

Town Manager

Joanne Cabot

Dale Gray

Jefferey Peters

