

Sutton Select Board Meeting  
September 27, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Scott Spencer, Chairman at 6:02PM

Attending: Carol and Paul Brouha; Tadd Wheeler; Dianna Simpson; Lucien Belanger; Paul Lane; Jeannie Powers; Adam Carleton; Pat and Dan Jackson; Chris Roy; Selectmen: Tim Simpson; Scott Spencer; Joe Solinsky; Mary Gray, Clerk

Additions/Deletions: added: Lister's; Chris Roy; Pat Jackson

Tim made a motion to approve the August 25, 2018 minutes. Joe seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Motion passed

Tim made a motion to approve the Treasurers report as printed. Joe seconded the motion. As of today, there is \$223,228.05 in the checking account. There was no discussion. Motion Passed

Dan and Tadd updated the board on a new highway truck:

Quotes were opened:

International – Clark's = 164,178. With body/tarp & camera. 10-wheeler  
Trade in \$30,000.00 minus tarp & camera = \$161,826.00 then you get a \$1,000.00 mail in rebate. This truck could be here by November 15, 2018.

International – Clark's = \$158,107. For a 6-wheeler  
Western Star – Charlebois = \$173,820. For a 6-wheeler before trade in  
Fairfield – Charlebois = \$167,425. For a 6-wheeler before trade in  
Tenco - \$157,978. For a 6-wheeler before trade in  
Viking - \$159,450. For a 6-wheeler before trade in

Tim made a motion to purchase the International Truck 10-wheeler for no more than \$161,826. Minus the \$1,000.00 mail in rebate. Joe seconded motion. Tim amended his motion to have a meeting with Russ Clark to consider purchasing the International 10-Wheeler with the price quoted \$161,826 or less with a \$30,000.00 trade in. Joe seconded the motion. Scott called for a vote. All in favor of amended motion. Motion passed.

The board requested the Town Clerk to advertise Plow bids to be received by 4:00 PM on October 25, 2018.

Paul Lane & Mary Gray, Lister's. We are asking for ideas on how the board want to move forward to for the Lister's Department for next year. Paul and Mary are agreeable to do this one more year, and we are hoping that the board is open to the idea of having a smooth transition. Because this is a specialized position, there is a lot of training and experience that is needed to fulfill creating the Grand List for the town. Paul and Mary had a meeting with Doug Lay that now works with NEMRC. We wanted their ideas on the town hiring them to take over the Assessing for the town. NEMRC has contracted with Newark to handle the day to day activities along with the reappraisal and that appears to be running smoothly. Doug did state that if NEMR were to contract with the town, they would have a smooth transition with

Paul and Mary there to help. The board wanted to know if we needed a reappraisal now. Paul explained that the CLA is at 1.16% and the sales are coming in closer to our assessment, but this can't be explained since the land schedules are too high and the older homes are not depreciated accurately. COD is around 10% which is not alarming.

Paul and Mary will be working a couple of days to get the property transfers done by January, then in April will do the inspections for the building permits, after that there really is not a lot to be done after the Grand List is filed. The problem with voting someone from the floor one usually does not have the experience that is needed to do the work. This position is not something that you can come in and just sit down at a computer and do the work. Those days are gone.

The board requested Mary contact NEMRC to write up a proposal consisting of assessing properties, inspections and costs of the clerical day to day activities, plus the cost of a reappraisal down the road for the next select board meeting on October 25, 2018. The board requested they put it in an e-mail, so the board can have it ahead of the meeting.

Paul is requesting that Mary and Paul receive a \$2.00 raise per hour making their pay \$20.00 per hour.

Joe made a motion to from today September 27, 2018 that Mary and Paul's hourly rate will be \$20.00. Tim seconded motion. No discussion. Motion Passed.

Pat Jackson just wanted to update the board that a resident wanted to 8 plots and the board had no problem with that.

The selectmen requested Chris Roy to submit a price quote for a sand screen. His quote was for approximately for \$20,700, that includes paying Chris Roy and Jeff Lawson \$35.00 per hour each as part time employees of the town for this project. Chris stated that if the cost went over \$20,700 that there would be no cost to the town.

Tim made a motion to build a new sand screen 20 feet long with Chris Roy and Jeff Lawson as part-time employees to build it. Joe seconded. No discussion. Motion passed.

Paul Brouha, Town Plan review draft is going out Tuesday. The Planning Commission will be held on November 1, 2018 at 6:00PM at the Sutton Town Office.

Paul Brouha brought to the board the minutes of August 4, 2018 regarding wording of "conflict of interest" pertaining to *"The Board was in total agreement that the ATV Ordinance was fine as is for now. But also felt it may be a conflict of interest to have the DRB do updates to the ATV Ordinance."*

Tim made a motion to retract the "conflict of interest" wording Scott stated "it could be biased" for the August 4, 2018 minutes. Joe seconded motion. Motion Passed.

If the select board wants the DRB to draw up a draft an ATV ordinance, then he would take that back to his board to draw a draft up. Paul said he would work with the ATV residents to draw something up.

Tim suggest that they place an ad in the newspaper that Sutton is accepting letters of interest to serve on a committee of 7 to draft a revised ATV ordinance to bring to the Select Board. The deadline for accepting letters is October 25, 2018.

Tim made a motion to revise the policy that no motor vehicles are allowed on a legal trail or foot trail without permission of governing body. A fee could be imposed at the discretion of the board with a fee of \$0.00 up to \$2.00 per lineal foot damage deposit, which could be refunded if there is no damage. Joe seconded. No more discussion. Motion passed.

Tim wanted to comment that says this is now a fair policy and wants it posted and recorded in the Sutton Land Records.

The governing board gave permission to Paul Brouha to use the TH 20 trail for the logging job.

Scott made a motion to have Paul Brouha pay \$100.00 damage deposit. Joe seconded. Tim amended the motion to \$.50 per lineal foot. No second on the amendment. Scott amendment original motion to have Paul Brouha pay a damage deposit of \$250.00, possibly refundable at the end of the logging job. Joe seconded. Scott called for a vote. Motion Passed

Tim will check into the paving project.

Lucien wanted to comment that the road side mowing was exceptional this year.

Other business: Warrants and checks signed

Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 PM. Tim seconded motion. Motion passed.

Mary Gray  
Clerk