

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes May 6, 2019

7:00 pm Meeting called to order by Chairman Jack Esposito. Also in attendance were Selectmen Kim Roberge and Tim Berry.

- Board reviewed minutes of 4/22/19. Roberge motioned, seconded by Berry, to accept the minutes of April 22, 2019 as amended. All in favor.
- Board reviewed and signed checks and manifest.

Susan King-Ecklund and Mary Jean MacGillivray came before the Board representing the Mont Vernon Democratic Committee. They wanted to know if they could have a booth at Spring Gala and march in the parade.

Esposito explained that, except for the Library, there is no partisan politics allowed on Town property. As far as the parade is concerned, elected officials can march, without large signs.

Ecklund asked about a banner and was told "no banners".

Berry said that we want the parade to be A-Political.

MacGillivray explained to the Board that they are trying to be more visible in Town.

Roberge mentioned that there is no ordinance; we have been going by these guidelines for years.

On another note, Ecklund said that she will be donating a large wooden barrel to plant flowers in for under the Welcome to Mont Vernon sign at the south side of Town. There is a dented metal one there now that she would like to have removed. Brown will ask DPW to remove the old barrel for her.

7:20 pm Board discussed the 4-way stop at Wilton/Old Wilton/Purgatory and the No Parking Zone on Harwood and decide to wait until they could discuss same with the Police Chief next week.

Roberge let the Board know that Millwork Masters is holding the price for the windows for the McCollom Building to last year's quote, plus giving us a 5% discount if we pay up-front. She is hoping to get a further discount – right now the quote is for \$79,755.

Esposito asked her to confirm that the price includes removing the old windows.

7:30 pm Board discussed the Preservation Easement applied for by Mr. Haynes. Although the building is a historic building, it was never used as a barn or for agricultural endeavors until Haynes began storing farm implements in it. It was also removed from its historic setting.

The Board unanimously agreed that the building does not meet the criteria for a Preservation Easement.

Roberge motioned, seconded by Berry to deny the application for Preservation Easement at 18 S. Main St.

All in favor.

Roberge discussed the cleaning position with the night janitor at MVVS. He would be interested in the job if we could pay more.

Board looked at the fees for bringing things to the Transfer Station. They need to be updated to cover the items that the Town is charged to dispose of. It was agreed to discuss this again with the DPW Director before making any decision.

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Roberge brought up hours that the office is open to the public. At Town Meeting it was said that the Board was thinking of opening the office on Fridays for some period of time. Joan Cleary will be staffing the office on Fridays and it was unanimously decided to publish that the office will now be open on Fridays from 9 – noon.

Roberge recommended that the Board meet for a work session to go over the architects' report and develop an outline to give to the Heritage Commission and the Building Remodel Committee. It was decided to meet Thursday, May 16 at 2:30 pm for this purpose.

Berry let the Board know that the Conservation Commission is jumping on the street light project.

Roberge said that she has been trying to get the updated chapters of the Master Plan from the Planning Board.

The Chairman of the PB has asked for any requests to come through the Selectmen's Rep. She is trying to find out what date each chapter was either updated or looked at and decided it was ok as is.

Berry will come in to the office tomorrow and work with Cleary to draw up a request to bring to the Planning Board.

Berry said that there was nothing to report on Town Center Zoning right now.

8:20 pm As there was no further business before the Board, Roberge motioned, seconded by Berry to adjourn. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurie Brown