

*Office of the Select Board
Town of Orange, New Hampshire
Minutes of August 10, 2021*

Present: Dorothy Heinrichs, Chair; Tamara Fairbank, and Aaron Allen

Others: Doug Weekes, Scott Sanborn

Meeting opened at 6 p.m. Attendance and minutes notes taken by the Chair.

Minutes: The minutes of July 27, 2021 were unanimously approved as submitted.

FEMA: Scott Sanborn met with Board to discuss the FEMA work progress. He summarized the projected dates for completion of the unfinished repairs. The Board recommended that subcontractors for Richard Remacle be used to do any projects he cannot complete before the snow flies. Scott presented to the Board a Request for Proposal for the asphalt repairs. After discussion, Tamara motioned to go forward the Request for Proposal as prepared. Aaron seconded. Motion passed unanimously in favor.

Town House: The Board reviewed an email and attached documentation from Trish Weeks in regards to the grants for the Town House roof restoration. Earlier this year Trish submitted an application for a New Hampshire Preservation Alliance (NHPA) grant to fund a Historic Building Structure Assessment. The LCHIP grant committee recommends this because it strengthens the chances for an LCHIP grant in the future. The NHPA grant application would be for \$6,900. This is a matching grant of which the Town would be responsible for \$3,450. Trish submitted a Scope of Work from HEB Engineers for a structural assessment. After discussion, Tamara motioned for Trish to proceed with the NHPA and for the town to finance their half of the grant if it is awarded. Aaron seconded. Motion passed unanimously in favor.

Alarm System: The Board reviewed an email from Hanover Dispatch asking that, when necessary, the Town House alarm system be deactivated. This request resulted from a day-long sending of false trouble signals from the Town House to Dispatch which disrupted their overall area response performance. The alarm malfunction from the Town House was due to the phone lines being out of order. It was determined that no one in town was familiar with shutting the alarm system down. After discussion, Aaron motioned to contact Defiance Electric (who installed the alarm) and have them instruct the appropriate town personnel on how to deactivate and reset the alarm system when it is necessary. Tam seconded. Motion passed unanimously in favor.

Treasury: The Board reviewed the Treasurer's report for July 2021 and Select Board reconciliation. AIL figures were on target and the Chair signed the report.

Other:

- A notice was received from State that the 2022 Block Grant is estimated at \$34,763.04.

- A notice was received from State that they have deposited \$10,428.91 into the town's account for the July 2021 Block Grant payment.
- A notice was received from State that they have deposited \$16,174.55 into the town's account which is the first of two payments of the American Rescue Plan Act.
- A notice was received NHDES of approval for septic system: Judith Lindahl/460 Burnt Hill Road/Map 10, Lot 10.

Other Select Board business:

- After discussion the Board concurred that Tamara will speak to Historical Commission Chair Sharon Proulx to get an update on the town's pending history book.

Secretary's report: n/a

Reports from Boards and Committees:

- Building Inspected Doug Weekes briefed the Board on the progress of construction in relation to building permits that have been approved.

Public comment: n/a/

Bills and vouchers were reviewed and signed.

Nonpublic session: Tamara motioned to go into nonpublic session pursuant to RSA 91-A:3-c to review two All Veteran Credit applications. Aaron seconded. Motion passed unanimously in favor. After returning to public session, Dorothy announced that both applications were approved.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 p.m.

Dorothy Behlen Heinrichs

Tamara Fairbank

Aaron Allen