

TOWN OF WOODSTOCK
SELECT BOARD
JULY 8, 2020
12:00 PM
MEETING
THE GREEN
MINUTES

Draft minutes subject to approval.

Present: Chair Mary Riley, Jill Davies, L.D. Sutherland, John Doten, Keri Cole, William Kerbin, Nikki Nourse, Fire Chief David Green, Ken Vandenburg, Jeffrey Kahn

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Chair Riley called the Select Board meeting of July 8, 2020 to order at 12:00pm.

II. ADDITIONS TO AND DELETIONS FROM THE POSTED AGENDA

A. Additions

1. Signs in the Town
2. Snow Loader for winter
3. Maple St pipe
4. Town Hall repair work

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of \$5,000 for Curbing from Contingency Fund

1. Mr. Vandenburg stated that the East side of Elm St is going to cost \$22,000. That is \$5,000 more than what is in the budget.
2. Ms. Davies stated that they made a resolution previously to use \$150,000 for paving. They could use some of that.
3. Mr. Sutherland stated that they need to do it. They are spending \$55,000 all on curbing. They were trying to this done before the state started paving. It is cheaper to do an entire section than breaking it up.

4. Mr. Vandenburg stated that currently the \$150,000 was going to be used for paving next spring. Any money taken from that will cost them in the paving project.
5. Ms. Cole stated they need to proceed with the Elm St work.
6. Mr. Sutherland stated that they need to try to prioritize what roads are in more need. There is a priority on curbs where the state paving will be done. He is for taking the \$5,000 from the \$150,000 paving budget.

Motion: by Ms. Davies to approve using \$5,000 from the paving budget to pay for the curbing project on Elm St.

Seconded: by Mr. Sutherland.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

B. Discussion of Mask Resolution

1. Chair Riley stated that this resolution goes along with the village ordinance that formally requires the wearing of masks.
2. Mr. Kahn read the village ordinance which is included in the minutes.
3. Chair Kahn stated that enforcement will use discretion and common sense. If someone is walking alone, they do not need to be enforced. There will be a supply of masks at the Welcome Center.
4. Ms. Cole suggested using banners that are welcoming but state to please wear a mask. They want these to be very visible.
5. Ms. Davies suggested using the high school's electronic sign.
6. Chair Riley read the resolution which is included in the minutes.
7. Mr. Kahn stated that if the resolution is posted they might need to include the exclusions.
8. Ms. Davies suggested attaching the village ordinance to the resolution.
9. Mr. Kahn stated that the postal employees do not wear masks. Are they federal? Do they fall under this ordinance?
10. Chief Green stated that the building is a federal building but when on the sidewalks postal workers should follow ordinance.

Motion: by Mr. Sutherland to adopt the resolution regarding the use of face masks in the town of Woodstock.

Seconded: by Ms. Cole.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Maple Street Pipe

1. Mr. Vandenburg stated that on Maple Street there is a storm drain that goes from one side of the street to the other. It goes into someone's property. Previously was given an estimate of \$25,000 to fix. It is in the budget but want authorization to disperse those funds. This could cause a sink hole.
2. Ms. Davies stated the cost of not doing this could be worse.
3. Mr. Vandenburg stated that they are pushing timetables with contractors.
4. Chief Green stated that if it collapses water will stay in the road causing ice build up in the winter.
5. Chair Riley stated to tentatively schedule someone for August.

Motion: by Ms. Cole to approve \$25,000 to be used to hire Green Mountain Pipeline to replace a drainpipe going through a property on Maple Street. Contingent on a final check by Butch Sutherland.

Seconded: by Ms. Davies.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

6. Mr. Kahn asked about the opening in the road on the West end of Elm Street.
 - a. Mr. Vandenburg stated that they had to replace a storm drain because it was collapsing. They will start finishing that tomorrow.
7. Mr. Sutherland asked about crosswalk markings and when they will be done.
 - a. Mr. Vandenburg stated that they were scheduled for July 1, but it got cancelled. He has been playing phone tag with the company. He is trying to reschedule.
 - b. Mr. Kahn asked about using our own paint. Some of the busy crosswalks need paint. It is a safety issue.
 - c. Mr. Vandenburg stated the thermal plastic will not bind as well over paint. Paint will not last a month. Traffic is so heavy. It wears right off. That is why they went with the thermal plastic.

B. Snow Loader for Winter

1. Mr. Vandenburg stated in the interest in not spending money for Quarter 1 they delayed ordering the loader. He has talked to the sales rep. They could order now and have their first payment be in October or November. The warranty has

run out on the current loader. If something happens, they will lose a lot of money. This slows the process down in the winter.

2. Mr. Sutherland stated that they are going to be in trouble if they do not get the loader. The warranty is very important.
3. Ms. Davies suggested trying to make the payment be in November.
4. Mr. Vandenburg stated he believes an extended warranty is for seven years.
5. Ms. Cole would like a list of vehicles and equipment and how old they are.

Motion: by Mr. Sutherland to approve the purchase of a snow loader as recommended by the Highway Superintendent Mr. Vandenburg contingent upon the first payment being after November 1, 2020.

Seconded: by Ms. Cole.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

C. Town Hall Repair Work

1. Ms. Davies stated that this is for the West side of Town Hall. Jay White has written up a bid package. They want to get this done before winter and before more brick damage can occur.

Motion: by Mr. Sutherland to approve the bid package by Jay White for the repairs on the brick work on the West side of Town Hall.

Seconded: Ms. Cole.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

D. Signs in the town

1. Chair Riley stated that she received a request last Thursday from Isabelle Chicoine, from the Chamber of Commerce. Signs were approved at the Village Meeting. They would like the Select Board to consider this for town businesses. They want to allow 2x3 sandwich board signs for the town of Woodstock. They will not be a traffic hazard.

Motion: by Ms. Cole to approve Town businesses to be allowed to display 2x3 sandwich board signs to promote their business.

Seconded: by Mr. Sutherland.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

V. CITIZEN COMMENTS

A. Mr. Sutherland asked Chair Kahn about the Park and Ride. The left side has granite curbs laying on the ground and granite posts. These are used to keep cars from going down the bank. Instead they could use big boulders. If they have them delivered Mr. Vandenburg can place them. They can use the granite curbs for their other curbing projects.

1. Mr. Kahn would not have an objection to this. He will talk to Sustainable Woodstock and put this on the agenda for next Tuesday.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: by Mr. Sutherland to adjourn the meeting at 1:04pm.

Seconded: by Ms. Cole.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Nourse