

Town of Woodstock
Select Board Meeting
January 4, 2022
10:00 am
Town Hall & Zoom
Minutes

Draft minutes are subject to approval.

Present: Chair Mary Riley, Ray Bourgeois, John Doten, Keri Cole, Joe Swanson, William Kerbin, Nikki Nourse, Tom Ayres, Seton McIlroy, Roger Logan, Jill Davies, Clayton Gillettee, Jon Spector, Devon Kurtz, Lisa Lawlor, Alita Wilson

A. Call to order

1. Chair Riley called the Select Board meeting of January 4, 2022, to order at 10:00 am.

B. Meeting protocols

1. Chair Riley went over meeting protocols.

C. Additions to & deletions from posted agenda - none

D. Citizens comments - none

E. Manager's report

1. Mr. Kerbin stated that the Chairs of both the Select Board and Trustees as well as the Vice Chairs of both Boards met with Charlie Kimbell and Allison Clarkson yesterday to discuss how the funding process will work with ARPA funds and infrastructure funds. At this point our state delegation does not have a lot of information.

F. Old business

1. Park Coordinator discussion

- a. Chair Riley stated that this is a topic they will have to discuss jointly with the Board of Village Trustees.

2. South Woodstock Wastewater Plant discussion

- a. Chair Riley stated that they have not moved forward toward construction at this point. The bond repayment has not been settled. She wants to make clear that none of the financing will be reflected at all in the annual sewer billing which is being worked on now. Those bills will go out in the next month or so.
- b. Mr. Kerbin stated that he received an update from Jennie Auster. She would like to get everything together and try to get the bid awarded by the January 18th meeting.

G. New business

1. Town Report

a. Cover

- i. No thoughts yet, but something to think over.

b. Consider Memorial Page

- i. Will honor Meg Brazil.

2. Discussion regarding Town Hall Rejuvenation Committee

- a. Chair Riley stated that they have not begun advertising, but they have to. This committee will be consulting with the Pentangle Board and the Select Board. She hopes they will advertise within the next couple of weeks and try to talk with people. She wants to have a working committee before spring.
- b. This will be advertised on January 13th.

3. Set Joint Meeting with Village Trustees

a. Joint Meeting will be held Thursday, January 13th at 8:30 am.

4. Proposed items for Town Meeting 2022

a. Treasurer term of office

- i. Chair Riley stated that Woodstock's Town Clerk is also their Treasurer. Charlie Degener, the Town Clerk/Treasurer, is suggesting that they change the term of Town Treasurer to a three year term to coincide with the election on the same year as they elect the Town Clerk. Those commitments can be changed at any time by the vote of the people at Town Meeting. This would be a ballot question.
- ii. Mr. Doten stated that he thinks it is a good idea.
- iii. Ms. Cole and Mr. Swanson are in agreeance.
- iv. This will be put on the ballot as an article at Town Meeting.

b. Tax payments & postmarks

Motion: by Mr. Swanson to put it on the warning that next Fiscal Year they will no longer accept postmarks and that tax and sewer payments will be due by the end of business on their due date.

Seconded: by Mr. Doten.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

5. Cannabis ballot question

- a. Ms. McIlroy stated that the Cannabis Commission had their 1st meeting and they discussed what the ballot language should be. It is going to be pretty simple. They talked to VLCT and looked at their recommendation.

H. Other business

1. Chair Riley stated that the Select Board will be having a budget meeting on Thursday at 12:00 pm. They will expect to have a presentation of the capital budget at that time. They will be looking at the budget in total. It is the 2nd review of the entire budget. The meeting will be held at Town Hall. It will be available by Zoom. Everyone is invited to take part in that meeting.

I. Adjournment

Motion: by Mr. Swanson to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 am.

Seconded: by Mr. Doten.

Discussion: none.

Vote: 5-0-0, passed.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nikki Nourse*