

Minutes of the Select Board Meeting, August 27, 2019

Howard Bronstein, Winton Pitcoff, and Hilary Weeks were present. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The minutes of August 13, 2019 were accepted as submitted.

Zoning Enforcement Questions

The Board received a copy of a letter from the Planning Board to the Building Commissioner about a possible zoning bylaw violation on South Central Street, map 27, lot 24.1, as a result of a complaint concerning health and sanitation from an abutter. At the August 21, 2019 meeting of the Planning Board representatives of the Board of Health and the Board of Assessors discussed the possible zoning violation. Claude Dupont questioned a comment from the Building Commissioner regarding the issue not being his jurisdiction.

Certified letters with return receipt requested from the Board of Health, Assessors, and the Planning Board will be sent to the property owner.

Buildings Committee

Buildings Committee Chair Claude Dupont noted that town buildings are required to be inspected annually. Regular inspections would assist the Buildings Committee with budgeting and scheduling necessary repairs, etc.

Other Business

The Planning Board has approved a special permit and site plan for 151 South Street to accommodate a pharmacy.

An organizational meeting for the Mitigation Preparedness Group will take place on August 28th.

News on the grant application for culvert repair and an engineering study will be released in September.

Heating at the Highway Garage will be discussed at the next meeting.

Winton has been approached with concerns the contractor that installed the roof over the compactor does not hold a proper license. Insurance certificates were provided.

There have been no updates on the progress of Pub 116.

The town does not need to appoint a representative to HCDC.

The Fire Department plans to seek Town meeting approval to turn two older trucks over to the PVFA with the intent to sell.

The Board received a letter from a West Street, Goshen resident praising Plainfield police officers during the West Street construction project.

Copies of the Human Resources Manual, job descriptions, and relevant forms will be provided for final review.

Correspondence

The Board received an update for the Plainfield Solar, LLC PILOT agreement to reflect the actual 2.70297 MW (DC) which needs to be signed by the Board. The size in the original agreement was 2.71.

The Board received notice that the IT Grant Program will open in September. The grant will support the implementation of innovative IT projects. The possibility of changing from the STAT accounting system to the UMAS accounting system was discussed.

An email from Peg Keller, ZBA, seeks town counsel opinion concerning a request from Christopher Roos to grow hemp indoors as the original review process was based on marijuana cultivation. Approval was given by Howard.

Other mail was reviewed.

Warrants were signed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J, King
Administrative Secretary