

APPROVED
Town of Panton Selectboard Meeting
Tuesday, November 13, 2007
7:00 PM-Panton Town Office

Selectboard

R. LaFleche, Jr.
J. Moulton
A. Sullivan

Administration

R. Cloutier
S. Torrey

Guests

Call to Order: Chair Sullivan called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by R. LaFleche, seconded by ~~J. Moulton~~ A. Sullivan to approve the minutes the October. So voted.

Public Communication: Richard Thurber was not in attendance, however, there had been a discussion whereby Mr. Thurber asked to have a culvert installed on the border of Tisbert/Thurber property. Mr. Thurber will buy the culvert and the Road Foreman will do the excavating. Motion by J. Moulton to approve, seconded by R. LaFleche. So voted.

J. Moulton stated that she had invited Al Tisbert to the meeting to discuss the concerns that he has but he evidently decided not to attend. She added that Mr. Tisbert has told her that he receives many calls regarding highway concerns. She asked that it be placed on the record that people should not be calling Mr. Tisbert regarding town issues. So noted.

Financial Report: Check warrants were reviewed and signed and correspondence was reviewed. Motion by J. Moulton, seconded by R. LaFleche to put the \$26,800.00 retreatment grant money received from the State into a certificate of deposit. So voted. Discussion on increase in gas and diesel prices.

Clerk Torrey mentioned that the Town Assessor advised that Panton is headed for a town -wide reappraisal in the very near future as property is selling way over appraisal. The assessor also advised that we may be hearing from the State of Vermont regarding this.

Road Foreman Report: Discussion on servicing the backhoe which is estimated to cost \$600.00. The Road Foreman will bring to Hendy's for ~~an estimate~~ repair. Discussion on repairing/resurfacing Jersey Street where the asphalt has cracked. Chair Sullivan advised that she has received two phone calls, one regarding the need for signage on Jersey Street/Pease Road corner, which she advised was being looked at by the State but that the corner had signage and that brush and debris had been removed from around the corner. The second call was regarding the poor condition of Jersey Street where the pavement is cracking. Discussion on the plans for Jersey Street. Discussed culvert replacement on Hopkins Road and R. LaFleche stated it will cost approximately \$30,000 - \$40,000 in gravel. It was discussed that there should be a 7 year or 10 year plan in place for highway repair.

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Motion by R. LaFleche, seconded by J. Moulton to increase the Road Foreman's salary 4% retroactive to his anniversary date. So voted.

Discussed various methods/means for the Road Foreman using his personal vehicle for town business.

New Business:

Chair Sullivan also advised she had received a call from Joe Kuhn advising that Panton is not reporting garbage that has been left by the road to the Solid Waste District. Discussion on what has happened to the reports Panton has made to the Sheriff's Department and State Police. It was mentioned that since the town has contracted with the Sheriff's Department there hasn't been any garbage dumped.

Chair Sullivan commended J. Moulton for her efforts in securing grants for the Town of Panton.

Old Business: None

Chair Sullivan adjourned the meeting at 9:40 p.m.