

DRAFT
Town of Panton
Select Board Minutes
May 9, 2017 - 6:00 P.M.

In Attendance:

Select Board:

Teresa Smith
Zachary Weaver, Vice Chair

Administration:

Diane Merrill, Treasurer
Rick Cloutier, Road Foreman
Jean Miller, Clerk

Guests:

Katie Werthmann
Eric Carter
Joseph Bogan

1. Call Meeting to Order – Z. Weaver called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.
2. Review/Approval of Minutes of April 11, 2017 – **Z. Weaver moved to accept the minutes of April 11, 2017. T, Smith 2nd. All approved.**
3. Citizen’s Comments (Opportunity to raise/address issues not on the agenda) – K. Werthmann received a quote from Holmquist Building & Remodeling for painting the upstairs ceiling in the Town Hall. **Z. Weaver moved to accept the bid from Holmquist Building & Remodeling of \$1730 for painting the upstairs ceiling in the Town Hall. T. Smith 2nd. All approved.**

K. Werthmann said that there was a question if the pendulum lights upstairs could be rewired. E. Carter was present and stated that if the electricians who were doing the work at the Town Hall could not rewire the lights that he would look at them. He is an electrical engineer and has rewired the lights at the Panton Baptist Church. The Town Hall committee had wanted the insulation in the attic to be delayed. It has been determined that there is no reason to wait on insulating the attic.

J. Bogan was concerned about the pipes on Adams Ferry Road. K. Werthmann explained that they were drainage pipes. It was explained that they would be buried roughly four feet underground and would not create more surface water runoff to the lake.
4. Brian Otley/GMP Update – B. Otley emailed and canceled.
5. Church Signage – The Panton Baptist Church was given some money for signs when Mrs. Thurber passed away. E. Carter had spoken with the Zoning Administrator and was told if the signs were of a small size even if they were in the Town right of way that he didn’t need to fill out a permit or do any paperwork. About a month ago E. Carter got a call from the zoning administrator and was told that it had come up at one of the zoning meetings that there was a problem with the signs. He recommended that E. Carter talk to the Selectboard and asks for permission to put the signs in the Town right of way. The State has regulations for signs in Vermont. They would allow a directional sign with a permit from the State and a renewal fee for each sign every year. Other signs are considered advertising and the State doesn’t allow it. E. Carter said he had talked to zoning administrator and someone at the State and because the church was a non-profit that the rules did not apply to them. The Selectboard will contact the zoning administrator and the Vermont Dept. of Transportation to research why there are two different opinions on the signage and report back at their next Selectboard meeting.
6. Road Foreman Report – Hopkins Road and Jackson Road has been graded and chloride has been put down. This morning they graded Turkey Lane and Spaulding Road and chloride them. The radiator needs to be pulled out of the 2010 truck again for the fourth time. B. Blacklock is going to warranty it. It was done six months ago.
Financials – Highway financials were reviewed.
7. Review/Approval of Bills and Time Sheets – Bills and timesheets were reviewed and approved.

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8. Correspondence – **T. Smith moved to appoint Eben Markowski as representative to Transportation Advisory Committee. Z. Weaver 2nd. All approved.**
9. Adjourn – **Z. Weaver made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 P.M. T. Smith 2nd. All approved.**