

Draft
Town of Panton
Select Board Minutes
May 26, 2015/6:30 P.M.

In Attendance:

Select Board:

Howard Hall
Beth Tarallo
John Viskup, Chair

Administration:

Jean Miller, Clerk
Diane Merrill, Treasurer
Barbara Fleming, Del. Tax Col.

Guests:

Claudia Allen
Hans Vorsteveld
Gerard Vorsteveld
Rudolf Vorsteveld

6:32 J Viskup called the meeting to order.

B Tarallo made a motion to add Short Term Disability Cost to the agenda. H Hall 2nd. All approved.

H Hall made a motion to move Public Comment before Junk Ordinance Review. B Tarallo 2nd. All approved.

Review/Approve Minutes of May 12, 2015 – H Hall made a motion to accept the minutes of May 12, 2015. J Viskup 2nd. All approved.

Review/Approval of Bills – Bills were reviewed and approved.

Review Paystubs/Vacation/Sick Time – Reviewed and approved.

Financials – B Tarallo made a motion to accept Treasurer’s the financial report and balance sheet dated April 30, 2015. J Viskup 2nd. All approved.

Public Comment – No public comment

Junk Ordinance Review W/VLCT Gwynn Zakov – G Zakov reviewed the changes she had made to the Draft Junk Ordinance with the Select Board. She answered question and explained that some of the changes were to bring the ordinance in-line with the State statutes and to make interpretation easier. The Select Board will need to make decisions on penalty amounts and on enforcement of the ordinance. After they will have the DRB review it because some of the changes that DRB had recommended have been changed.

Delinquent Taxes/B Fleming

Cemetery Mowing/General Town Hall Mowing & Cemetery Organization – C Allen said that the Cemetery Organization was started forty six years ago. There is a Cemetery Association. The Select Board is looking for documentation (receipts) for the money that the Town gives to the Association which B Fleming stated she will provide to the Treasurer going forward.

Town Hall mowing was discussed. C Allen thought that her tenant next door to the Town Hall would do the mowing. A question came up as to whether the Delinquent Tax Collector could waive penalties and interest. Discussion ensued. B Fleming as delinquent tax collector can waive penalties but can’t waive the interest. The interest can only be abated by the Board of Civil Authority. The list of Delinquent tax payers was reviewed.

Delinquent Tax Collector/B Fleming Annual Review – At 8:35 J Viskup made a motion to go into Executive Session for B Fleming annual review. B Tarallo 2nd. All approved.

A motion was made at 8:55 to come out of Executive Session by J Viskup. H Hall 2nd. All approved.

Motion was made by H Hall to reappoint B Fleming as Delinquent Tax Collect for another year to 7/1/2016. B Tarallo 2nd. All approved.

Panton 4 Corners Beautification/Upkeep – B Tarallo wanted to bring to the Select Board attention that a resident had called asking about the Junk Ordinance in regards to some of the property around Panton 4 Corners not being tidy. The

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resident asked about the space across the road from Town Hall that is to serve as a parking spot is a muddy mess and the cupola in back of Town Hall. She felt that these areas were being overlooked and wanted to bring these back to the

Select Board's attention. Resident also expressed concern about several private properties. B Tarallo explained that the Select Board was working on the Junk ordinance and that the Town Hall Committee was working on getting different agendas for the Town Hall.

Town Mapping – H Hall made a motion to have R. J. Turner do the mapping for the Town of Pantton. B Tarallo 2nd. All approved. A contract was signed.

Vorsteveld ROW Encroachment Violation – Update – J Viskup called J Carroll/Town Attorney to ask about Vorsteveld Farm. J Carroll has not heard back from D Bronson (Vorsteveld Farm's Attorney). A discussion ensued with the Vorstevels. Everyone will brainstorm to see if they can come up with different alternatives that will be acceptable by all parties. The Select Board will meet at the Vorsteveld Farm on June 19, 2015 at 7:00 A.M. This meeting will be warned before the meeting time. J Viskup will contact J Carroll with some questions that arose.

Pension Benefits Check In – Old business – tabled.

Short Term Disability Insurance - There was a short discussion regarding short term disability insurance. J. Viskup made a motion to give the benefit of Short Term Disability to employees starting July 1, 2015. H Hall 2nd. All approved. J Viskup made a motion to change the Long Term Disability Insurance to 20 hours. H Hall 2nd. All approved.

Correspondence – All correspondence was reviewed.

Wage/Salary Assessments - B Tarallo made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss wage/salary assessments at 10:10 P.M. H Hall 2nd. All approved.

B Tarallo made a motion to exit executive session at 10:28 P.M. Wage/salaries were discussed. No motions made.

Adjourn – B Tarallo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 P.M. H Hall 2nd. All approved.

Respectfully submitted

Jean Miller, Clerk