

# TOWN OF ORFORD

Board of Selectmen

Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Adams, Fred Kidder II, Tom Steketee

OTHERS PRESENT: Esther Dobbins-Marsh

## Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am

- Baseball & Softball Fields and Basketball Court estimates for repairs
  - The Selectboard will discuss at the 8/28 meeting
- Indian Pond Dam Annual Maintenance
  - The Town received an estimate to maintain the dam for a total of \$200 (1/2 paid by the Town and 1/2 paid by Bruce Schwaegler). The Selectboard asked Dobbins-Marsh to review with Parks & Playgrounds to see if they want to continue to maintain the Town's half of the dam with volunteers, or hire someone to complete the work.
- Invoice for the Fence Repair at the Community Field for damage by the road crew last winter (insurance claim)
  - The Selectboard agreed to post to the expense line item "Government Buildings-Repairs"
- Barn Easement review
  - Dobbins-Marsh asked for a date when the Selectboard will visit the various sites for an inspection. September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> were selected. Dobbins-Marsh will send out letters to notify the property owners of the date.
- Community Field Agreement
  - The Selectboard decided to have a meeting on 8/26 at 5:00 pm to meet with P&P to start the discussion around changes to the Community Field agreement and the Mowing Bid specs.
- Highway Truck Purchase
  - The highway department had requested the Town hold a special town meeting regarding the purchase of a new truck to replace the 2008 International. Adams said this isn't considered an emergency and a Special Town Meeting would require 50.1% of the registered voters to vote in favor of the purchase.
- Correspondence
  - Eva Daniels requested a waiver to serve wine at an event at the Heritage Center. The Selectboard denied the request as the Town ordinance doesn't allow for a waiver to be granted for the consumption of alcohol on Town Property.

- Request to fill in pot holes on Tannery Road – Steketee will speak with the Highway department.
- Property owner on Quinttown Road not happy that DuBois & King placed markers on their property in error, and they are still there. Adams will contact DuBois & King and have them restore the site back to how it was found (stakes removed, brush in the brook removed and spikes in trees removed). He will also request DuBois & King send a letter of apology to the property owners as well.
- Question was asked about posting of complaints received by the Selectboard – the Selectboard will discuss at their 8/28 meeting
- The Selectboard received a concern regarding the Highway department not following safety rules when working in the roads. Steketee will address with the Highway department employees and discuss trainings they will need to attend.
- Orford Planning Board (PB) meeting
  - Kidder reported Harry Burgess wasn't at the August 12th PB meeting. Kidder will follow up with him to make sure he's at the next PB meeting to discuss the Sand Pit excavation permit application.
  - Heritage Trail Easement – Kidder reported on concerns regarding potential changes to the trail location within the Heritage Trail easement, and that the Selectboard had not signed off on this. The Selectboard will discuss at the 8/28/19 meeting.

*A motion was made by Adams, seconded by Kidder to enter into nonpublic session under RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Personnel at 11:50 AM. A roll call vote of member's present was taken with a decision in the affirmative*

*The Board resumed the regular meeting at 1:40 AM. A motion was made by Adams, seconded by Kidder to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session. Motion Approved*

Dates for future non-public meetings were discussed. Potential dates are August 26th, August 29<sup>th</sup> and September 9th

### **Adjourn**

*Motion made by Kidder, seconded by Steketee adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed.*

The meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Esther Dobbins-Marsh