

.Orford Budget Advisory Committee

Minutes

June 14, 2021

Members: Lawrence Hibbard, Ruth Hook, Bob Palifka, Tom Thomson, Ken Wiren

Meeting called to order 5:48

SELECT TWO MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE “ORFORD TOWN ROAD COMMISSION”

Warrant Article 16 – Petitioned Warrant Article that passed May 22, 2021 Annual Town Meeting:

To see if the town will vote to request the Orford Selectboard to form a “**Orford Town Road Commission**” made up of **five (5) resident-taxpayers with town roads, bridges, and heavy equipment experience, for the purpose of assisting and suggesting** to both the Selectboard and Road Agent on issues that pertain to town highway garage building, roads, bridges, road equipment and vehicles, and any other items that fall under the Orford Road Department. And to explore the possibility of privatizing (contracting out) the care and maintenance of all town owned roads and **submit a report of its findings and recommendations** to the Selectboard and to the Orford general public **by December 1, 2021**. Members to be appointed as follows: three (3) by the Selectboard and **two (2) by the Budget Advisory Committee**.

Tom T – made the motion to nominate both

Allen Bean, experience with Heavy Equipment, has been called upon by the Orford Highway Dept for assistance, and **Mike Wright**, experience as a past Road Agent and currently contracted for Fairlee Vermont’s Highway Department, as they had expressed interested in being on this committee.

Also, to recommend to the Selectboard the following name we have contacted who was also interested to be on this committee.

Clifton Taylor, experience – heavy equipment and road construction, has been called upon by the Orford Highway Dept.

Bob P – 2nd motion. Motion Passed.

Tom T and Lawrence H will contact Allen B and Mike W to confirm our nomination before submitting their names to the Selectboard. A draft letter to the Selectboard will be review by all the BAC members before the letter is submitted .

Adjourned 6:17

Ken W Motion to adjourn, Bob P 2nd. Motion Passed

Respectfully Submitted

Ruth Hook

MEMBERS: Ruth Hook, Chair; Larry Duffy, Lawrence Hibbard, Bill Paxton, Bob Palifka, Tom Thomson, Ken Wiren