

Town of Montgomery
Meeting of the Board of Selectmen/Board of Health
Minutes for April 16, 2020

Present: Michael Morrissey, Donald Washburn, Jacob Chapman, Jane Thielen, Maggie Bean-Ducharme

7:00PM Meeting called to order. Maggie took the minutes

I. Administrative Business

1. April 2nd minutes not available, therefore, tabled.
2. Payroll and vendor warrants reviewed and signed.
3. Reviewed mail and emails.
 - a. Microsoft Office 365 email reviewed.
 - b. Recycling & Solid Waste Information on COVID 19 email reviewed.
 - c. Email regarding COVID + residents in town and when it would be appropriate to remove them from the list, seeking advice of the Public nurse, Angela.
4. Meetings and reminders.
 - a. Culvert Replacement Municipal Assistance Grant application deadline is pushed to May 11, 2020.

II. Selectmen New Business

1. The Board of Selectman has the right to delay town business. May 19, 2020 the Town and State election will be held. June 15, 2020 will be the Annual and Special Town meetings. Mike Morrissey to place a notice in the Westfield News and the Country Journal and Jane will place a notice in the Mountain Breeze.
2. Mike Morrissey makes a note that the Special Town meeting should come after the Annual Town meeting as stated in the bylaws. All in favor that the Annual Town meeting will start at 7pm and the Special Town meeting will convene after that to comply with the Town bylaws.
3. Email from Division of Local Services regarding alternative procedures for notification to taxpayers about extending of property tax bill reviewed and discussed. Mike Morrissey makes a motion to send out May 1 property tax bills and grant a 30 day extension to those in need, all in favor.
4. Holmberg & Howe invoice regarding Campus View Road reviewed. Mike Morrissey makes a motion to pay this bill out of the consultant expenses, all in favor.
5. State of Emergency situation with COVID-19, updates reviewed.
6. FY2021 Selectman Budget, reviewed and discussed. Contract for Novus to be the IT consulting co. for the Town, annual contract is \$12,900, discussed. Mass save benefits discussed and Don Washburn to look into Mass Save coming to inspect Town buildings.
7. Letter from Lecrenski Bros, Inc. reviewed by the Board. They are suggesting the Town continues to pay for the days busses have not run, although the contract with the Town is that no payments would occur for days busses do not run, so that their employees

could remain on the payroll. In response Mike Morrissey drafted a letter to Lecrenski suggesting that they first apply for funding made available through the CARES Act. Board members reviewed and Mike Morrissey makes a motion to sign the letter and send in response to Lecrenski Bros inc., all in favor.

8. Mike Morrissey drafted plans for the memorial garden and The Board reviews. Quote for outdoor gazebo obtained from Skips Outdoor Accents of \$4795.00 and Hometown Structures quote of \$6695.00, reviewed. All in favor to go with Skips Outdoor Accents quote.
9. Chapter 90 Forms, State Highway funding, reviewed and signed by the board. Jane to mail to the Lenox office, attention David Stokes.
10. Jerry, building inspector, spoke with residents of 21 Pitcher St re: living in the house without occupancy permit as it is under construction. Residents have been put on notice that they cannot live there.
11. Matelewski property discussed, neighbors have complained due to noise, large bonfires, property defamation, and they have contacted state police on occasion and now are asking if this is a selectboard matter. Jacob Chapman to make the fire chief/fire warden aware of illegal burning. Mike Morrissey discusses involving Russell police once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.
12. Washer /dryer grant reviewed and needs contractor authorized signatures. Jacob Chapman to sign as the Deputy Fire Chief, Mike Morrissey to sign as the chair of Board of Selectmen.

8:49PM Closed the Selectboard meeting

No Board of Health Business to discuss

8:49PM Moved to adjourn the Selectboard meeting. Unanimous vote.