



TOWN OF SCOTLAND BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

Apr 10, 2019

7:00 PM

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Scotland Board of Selectmen was called to order at 7:00 PM by First Selectman Dan Syme. Members present were Clare D'Appollonio and Rod Perry. Also in attendance was Superintendent of Schools Frank Baran, Fire Chief Jason Beaumont, and Jennifer Nelson, Administrative Assistant.

II. Additions to Agenda: None

III. Audience for Citizens: None

IV. Approval of Minutes: Rod Perry moved to approve the minutes of the March 27, 2019 Regular Meeting. Clare D'Appollonio seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

V. Old Business: Selectwoman Clare D'Appollonio inquired about the completion of the Eagle Scout Project. The awning at the old public works building, and requested First Selectman Syme contact the Eagle Scout to complete the project.

VI. New Business:

a) SES 19-20 Budget Proposal: Dr. Baran presented the selectmen with the FY19-20 budget proposal for the elementary school. They are presenting a 0% increase. Dr. Baran noted the changes that were made to departments, and the rationale for the changes, but the final bottom line is a 0% increase.

b) SVFD Daytime Staff Hire: Chief Beaumont stated the department has interviewed candidates to meet the needs of the daytime ambulance/firefighter staff, and made recommendations to the Board. **Rod Perry moved to hire Nicholas Brown, Ronal York, and Kreg O'Hara as EMS/Firefighter daytime paid staff. Clare D'Appollonio seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

c) Postage Meter Contract Renewal: The Pitney-Bowes postage machine contract is expiring, and the company is discontinuing the model we currently use. The new model will provide the town will additional automation capabilities, and is less expensive if a 5-year contract is used. **Clare D'Appollonio moved to approve a new 5-year contract with Pitney-Bowes as offered at \$57.48/month. Rod Perry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

VII. First Selectman's Report: First Selectman Syme shared the following:

- First Selectman Syme has been working with Quintana's Memorials to fix broken headstones in the cemetery. Scotland was awarded a cemetery grant to fix cemetery monuments by the state. Due to the inability to access the Old Cemetery with large equipment, Quintana's and Mr. Syme have identified headstones in the old portion of the new cemetery that can be repaired;
- The Hanover Rd parking area is almost complete;
- The selectmen will review the tax collector job description, and post the vacancy with various outlets;
- An excavator is needed to complete work to resurface Khourie Road. First Selectman Syme, in conjunction with DPW foreman D'Appollonio will procure 3 bids to complete the work. Mr. Syme seeks authorization from the selectmen to award the bid when all the quotes have been received. **Clare D'Appollonio moved to authorize the first selectman to award the bid for excavation work for the Khouri Road drainage pipe replacement. Rod Perry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously;**
- The state is working towards a new budget document, but there is no consensus yet for various initiatives. There will be shortages in town aid, and current department budgets will be close.

VIII. Second Audience for Citizens: None

Clare D'Appollonio moved to adjourn at 7:50 PM. Rod Perry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Nelson, Administrative Assistant