

TOWN OF WESTON

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SELECTBOARD MEETING AGENDA

May 11, 2021 at 7:30 PM

Present: Denis Benson, Jim Linville, Bruce Downer, Charles Goodwin, and Ann Fuji'i.

Absent: None

Public: Kim Seymour, Donald Hart, Jazmin McNeill, Ben Masure, Deborah Granquest, Linda Saarnijoki, Garrison Buxton and Natalie Boston

Chairman Denis Benson called the meeting to order at 7:28 P.M.

- 1. Changes to The Agenda:** None
- 2. Public Comment:** None
- 3. Road Forman Almon Crandall:** Received email from Mark Pickering about the grant for the Trout Club Culvert. He had had a question on the grant; stated any cost before July 1 would not be reimbursed. Concern that if the culvert is built now will it be covered but solution is to not be billed for the work till after July 1st. Discussion on the Grant. Jim Linville asks Almon Crandall if him or another at the garage could weed whack the S.E. corner on the Little School grounds a few times this year so may see better as planning for the location of the Generator.
- 4. The Little School:** Ben Masure begins by addressing the floor quote they gave the Selectboard, the floors need to be refinished and was told that if not done soon may need to be replaced/be a larger cost. Goes on to explain that the main concern is the bathroom. Explains that the tiles in the restroom are breaking and in need of being renovated. Jazmin McNeill notes that the kids can pick the tiles off in sharp pieces, and looking for some assistance in covering the cost. Bruce Downer asks if the numbers in the quotes are what they want from the Selectboard and Ben explains that that is the total quote, don't expect the whole cost covered but just hoping for partial. Denis Benson says his personal opinion is with the cost of materials being so high, might make more sense to wait a year. Jim Linville asks if the bathroom is the more pressing issue and Jazmin confirms yes, it's a safety issue. Discussion on both and time frame no kids are in the school. Jim Linville make a motion to go 50/50 on the bathroom renovation to be done in June and the Selectboard will take a look at the floors before the next Selectboard meeting (June 8th at 7PM), Annie Fuji'i 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
Donald Hart notes that when it wasn't in use ("mothballed") it wasn't treated well. The Building was damp and the floors warped and buckled. Doesn't know how the issue was resolved, concern that the flooring is very thin.

5. **Town Meeting:** Discussion on in the green or on the steps to the playhouse. Jim Linville has a PA system, pop up tents and folding table. Discussion on tents and table needs. Everyone will bring their own chairs.
6. **TAN Note:** was approved at the last meeting, all sign.
7. **Foley Service Agreement:** Discussion on the 5 year agreement, it will hold the current rate till next March, then will be a 4% increase. Jim Linville makes a motion to accept dependent that there is only 1 4% increase next year and no other price increases (asks Natalie to receive in writing not verbally). Charles Goodwin 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
8. **Delinquent Tax Report:** Charles Goodwin makes a motion to have the minutes reflect the board received and reviewed the Delinquent Tax report, Jim Linville 2nd.
Unanimously approved.
9. **Review and Approve Minutes:** Annie Fuji'i makes a motion to approve the minutes for the Liquor Control board meeting on 4/27/2021, Bruce Downer 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
A few corrections on the Selectboard Meeting minutes for 4/27/2021. Bruce downer makes a motion to approve the minutes with corrections, Annie Fuji'i 2nd.
Unanimously approved.
10. **SO #10 Payroll, SO #10 Vendors:** Jim Linville makes a motion to accept SO #10 for the amount of \$7,442.18, Bruce Downer 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
Bruce Downer makes a motion to accept SO #10 Vendors for the amount of \$933,655.69, Jim Linville 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
11. **New/Old Business:** Kim Seymour begins with previously approve request to make/install a Dutch door for the clerk's office. Looking for approval to move forward with getting a quote. Discussion on keeping protected, even vaccinated can get Covid. The Selectboard gives Kim Seymour permission to get a quote to have done. Annie Fuji'i says she spoke with NAME and the Selectboard can move forward do do as they please regarding the Welcome to Weston signs. Jim Linville makes a motion to give Annie Fuji'i permission to take over the signs and do as she sees fit. Bruce Downer 2nd.
Unanimously approved.
Natalie Boston had received a question from Will Goodwin on Zoning fees he wanted the Boards input on. Should the fee for an accessory dwelling (an In-Law cottage) be \$50 like a barn or \$80 like a house? The board agrees should be like a house as would have electricity and plumbing. Kim Seymour also raises the question on the cost of Mylar increased to \$25 and if the extra \$5 should be added. Jim Linville makes a motion to add \$5 to reflect the recording fee increase, Bruce Downer 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
Annie Fuji'i also notes that she spoke with Marrison and she is happy to have the water testes to water the community garden. Jim Linville suggests leaving up to them to use at discretion. No guarantee to quality but welcome to use, Jim Linville makes a motion to make the water available to the community garden with no guarantee to the quality and they are responsible for any expenses to connect to the garage. Annie Fuji'I 2nd. *Unanimously approved.*
12. **Wilder Memorial Library:** Jim Linville makes a motion to move into executive session Executive Session 1 VSA 313(a)(2) - real estate transactions.
The Selectboard goes into executive session at 8:30 PM