

SPECIAL SELECTMEN TELECONFERENCE MEETING

7:00 pm

Tuesday May 5, 2020

ROLL CALL OF SELECTMEN Jon Beekman, Joe Young, Nancy Cronin, Lacy Badeau, Berndt Graf
PUBLIC ATTENDANCE- Pat Wheeler and Ellie Andrews

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Mark Robinson stated the tax due date was April 30th and collections have been good. The budget committee had a Zoom meeting in preparation for the budget. Mark updated the Board of Selectmen on the status of the Fayette Town Office.

OLD BUSINESS

20-26 RICHMOND MILL CULVERT STATUS

The closing of the Richmond Mills road has been delayed. Pat updated the Board of Selectman about the work he did on Richmond Mills road in July 2018. Mark showed photos of the erosion control material and the wooden bridge that was constructed over the 3 culverts. Nancy inquired into the cost and liability of a band-aid fix. Pat stated he could put in 4-foot culverts, which would be about \$10,000. The Board of Selectmen discussed design options and price for the culvert. The board expressed concern over the safety of the road. Lacy stated that she wanted for the record that both the Road Foreman and Road Commissioner recommended against the roads closure. Berndt made the motion to make the temporary repair and post the roads with weight limits until the next Town Meeting. Lacy seconded the motion. The motion failed 3-2. (Cronin and Badeau) The action meant that the BOS upheld the previous meetings decision to close the road and prepare for a referendum to decide the future funding of the project.

NEW BUSINESS

20-28 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING/LOCAL AND STATE ELECTION STATUS

Mark proposed to the Board looking into debt consolidation, refinancing, and financing various needs. These needs include road work, the Richmond Mills culvert, and a school bus. Mark proposed simplifying the town meeting process and using the last town meeting approved appropriations for both the town and school. Mark brought up the bond bank timeline. Lacy raised concerns about an in-person Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen explored in-person and remote options for the town meeting.

20-29 SOLID WASTE ORDINANCE REVISION

Jon stated the 3 changes to the disposal facility. Nancy made the motion to accept the new changes. Berndt seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

20-30 RESERVE ACCOUNT CONSOLIDATION

Joe stated that a few accounts are no longer relevant. Joe stated the purpose was to put together a policy document that governs how the reserve funds are used. Joe made the motion to adopt the consolidation policies. Jon seconded. Joe changed his motion to have the conversation with the entities involved regarding the consolidation policies.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN COMMENTS

Lacy made the motion to go into Executive Session. Berndt seconded. All voted in favor. In at

ADJOURNMENT Motion to Adjourn by Berndt seconded by Lacy. 5 Yea 0 Nay 0 Abstain