

TOWN OF STETSON
SELECTMAN'S MINUTES

DATE: April 27, 2022

6:00 P.M.

I. OPEN MEETING

Tammy Buswell opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

A. ROLL CALL

Millard Butler attended via ZOOM, Danielle Withee and Tammy Buswell were all present. Leslie Merrill was absent.

B. MINUTES OF THE MEETING

C. Approve April 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve Danielle Withee, seconded by Tammy Buswell

Vote: AYE- Tammy Buswell,

Millard Butler and

Danielle Withee

NAY- None

Motion Passes

D. QUIT CLAIM DEEDS- none.

E. WARRANTS

1. Motion by Danielle Withee, seconded by Tammy Buswell to approve Advantage Payroll warrant #21.

Vote: AYE-Millard Butler,

Tammy Buswell and

Danielle Withee

NAY- None

Motion Passes

Tammy Buswell read the line items.

2. Motion by Danielle Withee, seconded by Tammy Buswell to approve Expenditures warrant #38.

Vote: AYE-Millard Butler,

Tammy Buswell and

Danielle Withee

NAY- None

Motion Passes

Tammy Buswell read the line items.

3. Motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Danielle Withee to approve Expenditures warrant #39.

Vote: AYE-Millard Butler,
Tammy Buswell and
Danielle Withee
NAY- None
Motion Passes

Tammy Buswell read the line items.

4. Motion by Danielle Withee, seconded by Tammy Buswell to approve Expenditures warrant #40.

Vote: AYE-Millard Butler,
Tammy Buswell and
Danielle Withee
NAY- None
Motion Passes

Tammy Buswell read the line items

Note: Streets charge for stone should be changed from Snow and Ice removal to Dirt Road repair.

F. BOARD OF ASSESSORS-

The form to be signed was tabled due to only two selectpersons being available to sign and it needed three signatures.

II. OLD BUSINESS

A. Rapid Renewal & Debit/Credit Card machine-

Tammy Buswell received an email for the budget meeting with the details of the costs from Harris Computer.

B. Policy & Procedure manual-

Tammy Buswell emailed the attorney and she has not received a reply.

C. ARPA update-

Mike Feole stated that the project submission is due by 4/30 even if it is only to state that no projects have been identified to date.

D. Flagpole at Fire Station/Library

We now have two estimates after receiving the one from World of Flags. That one does not include installation.

E. Town Audit-

Tammy Buswell received a draft from Mindy and she will meet with Mindy and Mike on Monday morning to go over it and sign off if all is well.

F. Town Annual Report Status- no report.

G. MMA Insurance Findings(plugs and faceplate at sand shed, emergency lights at fire station boiler room)- no report.

H. Safe- no report.

I. Parking Lot/Basketball Court-

Bethany Leighton- I want to keep it where it is. It would cost \$30,000 to move it out back. It is safer here than in the middle of town for the children.

Brenda Clark- I have never heard it discussed while I was a selectman.

Tammy Buswell- That agrees with what Danielle found when she went through the meeting minutes, that it had been brought up but not decided.

Brenda Clark- There is nothing for kids to do in town except for that playground. We have three loaded buses of kids in town. I checked and it is \$65 for kids to go to Carmel to play basketball there.

Jody Lyford- If there wasn't any vote to make it a parking lot, then it has always been a basketball court.

Bethany Leighton- Why do I have to justify it being a basketball court. Why doesn't the board have to justify it as being a parking lot? Why is it up to the select Board and not the town?

Tammy Buswell- Do you want to post it to come up at the town meeting?

Jody Lyford- How strongly do you as a select board want it to be a parking lot?

Brenda Clark- I want some support from the board. The members need to say that it is up to the towns people.

Millard Butler- We are here to serve the will of the people. The board can influence the people more than others. It is not that we don't care.

Bethany Leighton- When you say "I don't care", you show indifference. Now I want to leave it as is and put no money into it until the town decides which it will be.

Brenda Clark- Why wasn't this brought up? Everybody in this town knows that this is a playground. It went from the pole coming down and the barriers being put up to lets

move it. I never knew what the board was going to do. I never got a call. We have nowhere for the kids to play. I have gone to the town meetings and we never had more than 40 people there, so it won't be the town deciding.

Millard Butler- What are we getting so worked up about?

Bethany Leighton- It is about our kids and grand kids.

Millard Butler- No one is saying that it can't be a basketball court.

Bethany Leighton- We put the barricades there, then the issue started.

Millard Butler- What do we want to accomplish?

Danielle Withee- The parking lot is where the election workers park to keep the other side of the building open for the voters.

Millard Butler- Lets have a show of hands to have an article at the town meeting (6 of 9 people raised their hands) OK, we will put it in the town meeting.

III. NEW BUSINESS

Rita Albee- I would like to nominate Briar Jipson to chair the Stetson Days Committee.

Millard Butler- Briar-what is your intent?

Briar Jipson- I would like to put together an event like I was involved with in Newport, to have a town cookout where we have games for the kids and maybe the adults in addition to the parade.

Danielle Withee motioned to appoint Briar Jipson to chair the Stetson Days committee, Tammy Buswell seconded the motion.

Vote: AYE-Millard Butler,

Tammy Buswell and

Danielle Withee

NAY- None

Motion Passes

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. ANIMAL CONTROL- no report.

B. APPEALS BOARD- no report.

C. CEMETERY-

Mike Feole- I placed the order for the cemetery flags and holders as well as flags for the Town Office.

D. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER- no report.

E. E911- no report.

F. EDUCATION-

Steven Ingalls- The budget has been approved by the School Committee and the town will be contributing \$99,0164.30 for the 2023 school year, which was less than last year. We entered into an agreement with Ampion for Net metering of the electricity, which will save the school approximately \$23,000 per year.

I am standing in on the school planning board to work on the Vocational/Technical project.

G. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE- no report.

H. EMT/RESCUE- no report.

I. FIRE DEPARTMENT- no report.

J. MEETINGHOUSE- no report.

K. PARKS & RECREATION- no report.

L. PLUMBING INSPECTOR- no report.

M. RECYCLING & SOLID WASTE COLLECTION- no report.

N. ROAD COMMISSIONER- no report.

O. STATE LEGISLATIVE CORRESPONDANCE- no report.

P. TREASURER-

Mike Feole- I gave out the Expense, Revenues and General Fund current summaries as of Monday, April 25, 2022.

Q. WELFARE DIRECTOR- no report.

R. OTHER- no report.

V. TRAINING- no report.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

VII. SELECTMEN COMMENTS-

Danielle Withee- Can you check to see if the roadside mowing contract is up and if it is advertise it?
Mike-Yes.

Tammy Buswell- I spoke to the Assistant Manager about the recycling and she is going to speak to all of the workers at the transfer station to make sure that they are aware that Stetson Residents can bring their recycling there.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION- none

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Tammy Buswell, seconded by Danielle Withee, it was Unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

