

SELECTMEN'S MEETING NOTES

APRIL 10, 2019

Called to Order 6:00 pm

Present: Selectmen: Melissa Spinney, Doug Baston, Greg Shute Members of the Public: David Abbott, Amy Stockford Press: Jessica Clifford Clerk: Liz Brown

Public Comment: None

New Business:

Plowing Committee Report

David Abbott said the plow committee met on April 9th and they discussed the significant increase in the use of salt, the bidding process, and the feasibility of the town having their own equipment. They will be meeting again soon for further discussion.

Selectman Baston said that Calvin Cooper said the whole state was moving away from salt to straight sand.

2019 Tax Commitment Discussion

The selectmen discussed committing taxes earlier. John O'Donnell would prefer to do it in July. We need to have the school budget. We also need the town's permission to commit early. The selectmen would like to have the question posed at a special town meeting, held at the same time as the June school vote. We would ask to commit in mid-July and give 90 days until interest starts. People would have more time to pay, and the town could cut tax anticipation note costs.

Old Business

New Town Office Update

Tomorrow the essential office items needed to function will be moved. The town office is mostly done. There has been a lot of interest in the food pantry and community garden. Tom Albee will till the ground this weekend and there has been an organic compost donation also.

Alewives Update

Selectman Shute said that he met with Andy Goode and David Sutter. They are working on a draft plan. They haven't met with the state yet but will be meeting with DMR next Wednesday.

CMP's Clean Connect Project Update

Selectman Baston submitted testimony online.

Services Call List

Selectman Baston made a motion that a contractor call list be created of the people in town who provide different services, such as carpenters, electricians, etc., so that the town can call on more local citizens for the occasional work we have. Motion seconded and passed.

Public Comment: None

Meeting Adjourned: 6:52 p.m.