

SELECTMEN'S MEETING NOTES

OCTOBER 30, 2019

Called to Order 6:00 pm

Present: Selectmen: Doug Baston, Melissa Spinney, Greg Shute; Members of the Public: Ralph Hilton, Tom McKenzie, Jeff Spinney; Press: Jessica Clifford; Clerk: Liz Brown

Public Comment:

None

Old Business:

Head Tide Dam Update and Dedication

Selectman Shute said the Head Tide Dam dedication ceremony was going to be held rain or shine at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 31st. Chris Cooper has been doing the last of the planting. The railing has been delayed and will not be up in time for the dedication, but Ralph Hilton has hazard tape that will be used. Selectman Shute will say a few words and the town will receive a \$14,500 check for endowment for maintenance, which will be a one-time payment. Selectman Baston said he agreed with Ralph Hilton, they should have tinted the new part of the dam a gray color to blend in better with the old side, but otherwise it is nicely done.

New Town Office Update

There is still some construction being done. The parking lot right at the front of the town office has been paved by Hagar for \$9,000. It was kind of an emergency as we were getting a lot of flat tires from when the roof was done. Jeff Verney will be grading up to it. The parking lot needs to be lined also. Selectman Spinney will call Jeff Verney about gravel to grade it and Ralph Hilton.

Spirit of America Award

The selectmen have nominated the Spirit of America award to go to the WW&F Railway Museum and the ceremony will happen on Thursday, November 7 at the Lincoln County Communications Center. Selectman Baston will be writing something up for this award.

Sand Building Road Update

The selectmen received an email from Deb Brown. Selectman Shute said she told him she was ready to contribute her share. It is a total of \$2,500 for the project. Some of the others are

also interested in contributing. Chris Kenoyer volunteered 20%, even though he does not use the road.

New Business:

Town Report Award

The Town of Alna was awarded the Excellence Award by the Board of Judges in the 2019 Maine Municipal Association Municipal Award Report Competition. Awards were given to the top three reports in five different population categories. Alna placed third in its population group.

TRIO SQL Upgrade

Harris Local Government/TRIO would like us to upgrade. The selectmen asked Jeff Spinney to talk to them and find out more about it and whether or not it could be web-based.

Correspondence:

The selectmen have met with the two juveniles who vandalized the old town office, their parents and probation officers through the Restorative Justice Program. They will be doing community service and each one will be writing a letter of apology to the town. It will be available to read at the town office when the town receives it.

Public Comment

Tom MacKenzie commented that the parking lot looked nice.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:30 p.m.