



**Selectmen's Meeting
March 6th, 2019
MINUTES**

Selectmen Present: *Chad Hanna, Paul Yates, Terry Lowd.*

Also Present: *Chris Hall (Town Administrator); Chuck Hanson; Rick Poland; Pat Porter.*

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Chad Hanna, at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

It was moved by Lowd, seconded by Yates, to accept the Minutes of the Board of Selectmen's Meeting of February 20th, 2019. Motion passed 3 – 0.

New Business

Wotton's Lobster Wharf had requested from Selectmen a letter of support for their application to the Working Waterfront Access Protection Program. A letter had been drafted by the Town Administrator which was reviewed by Selectmen. It was moved by Yates, seconded by Lowd, to sign the letter of support. Motion passed, 3 – 0, and Selectmen signed the letter.

Beaver dams: Hall reported that three beaver dams had been observed on the Pemaquid River stretch between Hatchtown Bridge and Bristol Mills. These present both a barrier to alewife migration and a potential source of e coli pollution, but if the beavers are to be trapped the season ends this month and the town must act quickly. From the floor, Poland added that there are several other beaver dams in town. Hall asked if there was any objection to the Town hiring Steve Termine, who has a trapping license, for a couple of days. Selectmen agreed he should proceed. Hall noted that the Fish Committee did not wish to use their funds, but there is money in the Warrant for cleanup of pollution in the Lower Pemaquid Watershed which could be used for this. Hanna noted that it would be appropriate to consider the operations of the Fish Committee fully when their re-appointment is due.

Hall reported that he had been approached by Damariscotta and Newcastle about joining in a three-town approach to CMP and to non-utility vendors of LED street lighting, to see what savings could be made in a joint contract to convert to low-wattage LED lighting. He will report back in due course.

Old Business

Ten copies of the large-size Warrant notice were signed by the Selectmen for posting around the Town.

Calderwood Engineering had sent a list of questions from, and answers to, prospective bidders on the Upper Round Pond Road bridge. Bid opening will be on Wednesday, March 13, at 7 pm, at which point it is intended to select a finalist for further negotiation, without obligation to that bidder.

The Lincoln County planner, Bob Faunce, had identified a grant opportunity for culvert replacement that appeared to be appropriate for two locations in Bristol, on the Old County Road and on the Carl Bailey Road. After discussion, Selectmen asked Hall to move ahead on an application for the Old County Road. It was felt that the needed Town match for such a culvert replacement could be found within the 2019 roads budget.

Regular Business:

It was moved by Hanna, seconded by Yates, to endorse the application by Shaw's Wharf for the renewal of the liquor license. Motion passed, 3 – 0, and Selectmen signed the application.

A building permit application was reviewed and approved for the property at Map 007, lot 029-C.

Selectmen reviewed and approved an application for renewal of Tree Growth classification, on property at Map 006, lot 043.

Selectmen reviewed a Warrant for a supplemental assessment against property at Map 005, lot 044-A-2, whose owners had not filed for renewal of their Tree Growth classification and submission of an updated forest management plan, and not responded to repeated requests for the required certification by a licensed forester. It was moved by Lowd, seconded by Yates, to approve Supplemental Assessment Warrant number 01-2019 for the \$500 initial penalty for noncompliance with Tree Growth land classification rules. Motion carried, 3 – 0.

Selectmen reviewed and signed the Warrants for payroll and accounts payable for the Town Office, Fire and Rescue, Parks and Recreation and the Bristol/South Bristol Transfer Station. They also reviewed and approved the February 2019 check reconciliation.

There was no correspondence to report, other than the official notice of the previously noted grant to Parks of \$300,000 from the National Park Service, towards the new Pemaquid Beach pavilion.

Hanna gave notice of forthcoming Public Meetings as follows:

- CANDIDATES' NIGHT: March 7th, 7 pm at the Bristol Town Hall.
- Planning Board: Thursday, March 7th, 7.00 pm at the New Harbor Fire Station.

- Parks and Recreation Commission: Thursday, March 7th, and Thursday, March 21st, both meetings 6 pm at the Ellingwood Park Information Center.
- Selectmen: Wednesday, March 13th, 7.00 pm at the Town Office: bid opening on Upper Round Pond Road bridge; Wednesday, March 20th, 7.00 pm at the Town Office, regular meeting.
- Harbor Committee: Thursday, March 28th, 6 pm at the Town Hall.

TOWN MEETING:

Articles 1 and 2 (voting for elected officials), Monday, March 18th, 8 am to 8 pm at the Town Office; remaining articles, Tuesday, March 19th, 7 pm at the Bristol Consolidated School gymnasium.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7.37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Hall
Town Administrator