

TOWN OF RUSSELL
SELECTMENS MINUTES
3/5/2024

MEMBERS PRESENT

 X Tom Kulig
 X Gloria Farrell
 X Wayne Precanico

TOWN EMPLOYEES

 X Nancy Boersig

WESTFIELD RIVER RACE UPDATE

- 1.) Harry Rock & Kathryn Koegel Committee members updated the BOS that the group is having a upcoming meeting to discuss the status of having the race this year due to financial issues. They understand they should have better communications with the town and are working towards a better commitment. They submitted a letter from the race Attorney stating the group has been released of any liability. BOS did approve for the group to rent the Park for its award ceremony but noted that the bathrooms will not be able to be used. Details of the rental will need to be worked out but Tom will meet the group on Friday to discuss more.

INFORMATION:

- 1.) HIGHWAY UPDATE
 - a.) New truck build starting March 21st and should be finished by April
 - b.) Tom working on job description for 3rd highway employee
- 2.) POLICE UPDATE
 - a.) Booking area is 95% complete, working on more camera installs
- 3.) GATEWAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE UPDATE
 - a.) Kristen Smidy to attend April 2nd meeting to discuss FY25 Budget

REVIEW PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

- 1.) Vote to accept minutes from 2/20/2024 next meeting

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) WESTFIELD RIVER ACCESS SITE
 - a.) Quote was received from Chester Granite for edge step option @ \$5400 material only BOS requested Gloria to ask the state if this is an option and can they come up with a smaller scale project, and also what is the cost of the proposed larger project
- 2.) FY25 ONE STOP GROWTH GRANT
 - a.) Develop project list, BOS still need to set meeting date
- 3.) ARPA PROJECT LIST
 - a.) Project-Additional funds for Strathmore Park bathroom roof-BOS approve to allocated up to an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for repair
Wayne made a motion to accept this repair from ARPA funds, Tom seconded the motion
Motion carried 3-0 in favor.
- 4.) OTHER OLD BUSINESS
 - a.) BOS have not heard any update on Woodland Way NOI that is being handled by DEP

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) MINI SPLIT BIDS FOR LIBRARY
 - a.) Bids due April 2, 2024 6pm Bid specifications on towns website

2.) DRAFT COMMUNITY RESILIENCE HMP PLAN

a.) BOS will review and edit at a later meeting

3.) PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS MEETING

a.) MaryAnn Deming health nurse to attend March 19th meeting

4.) OTHER NEW BUSINESS

a.) Request was put in for disposal of the old voting booths, BOS would like to see if another town is interested in them and to place them on Municipal Bid.

PUBLIC INPUT:

BOS were asked if there has been any movement on the West Main street home, Wayne is going to contact the AG office on a program that could help the town.

Dale Kravoile asked the BOS to talk with Eagle Creek on the status of the fishing docks that have not been installed into the river for possible use at the towns pond.

ITEMS SIGNED:

W#19

W#19A

FY24 Block Grant Application Authorization

Adjourned 7:41pm