

TOWN OF RUSSELL  
SELECTMENS MEETING  
3/19/2024

MEMBERS PRESENT

<u>  X  </u>	Tom Kulig
<u>  X  </u>	Gloria Farrell
<u>  X  </u>	Wayne Precanico

TOWN EMPLOYEES

<u>      X      </u>	Nancy Boersig
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THIS MEETING WILL BE GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR LEGAL DISCUSSION AND WILL RESUME NORMAL BUSINESS AFTER.

INFORMATION:

- 1.) HIGHWAY UPDATE
  - a.) No new updates
- 2.) POLICE UPDATE
  - a.) BOS accepted resignation of Alyssa Farnham Police Officer immediately 3-0 in favor
  - b.) Kevin is going to work on putting rules for hunting season in the Watershed
- 3.) TRANSFER STATION UPDATE
  - a.) Ernie had problems with soiled mattresses going into container, he would like to have approval to throw in open top, BOS approve.
  - b.) BOS will review handout from Hartsprings Foundation Fill-the-Truck-Event
- 4.) WATER COMMISSION UPDATE
  - a.) Water Commissioners request \$38,000 of ARPA Funds for water monitoring system for Pine Hill Road well. Wayne made a motion to approve \$38,000 of funds to be used, Tom seconded the motion Motion carried 3-0 in favor.
- 5.) GATEWAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE UPDATE
  - a.) Kristen Smidy to attend April 2nd meeting to discuss FY25 Budget

REVIEW PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

- 1.) Voted to accept minutes from 2/20/2024 & 3/5/2024. Wayne made a motion to accept as written and Gloria seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0 in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1.) WESTFIELD RIVER ACCESS SITE
  - a.) Gloria sent an email to state in regards to revised plan and cost, one that does not take up as much space
- 2.) FY25 ONE STOP GROWTH GRANT
  - a.) BOS to submit a request for culvert work on Blandford Stage
- 3.) DRAFT COMMUNITY RESILIENCE HMP PLAN
  - a.) BOS reviewed and have no edits
  - b.) Public hearing date will be next step
- 4.) MINI SPLIT BIDS FOR LIBRARY
  - a.) Bids due April 2, 2024 6pm Bid specifications on towns website
- 5.) PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS MEETING
  - a.) MaryAnn Deming health nurse to attend April 2nd meeting
- 6.) OTHER OLD BUSINESS
  - a.) None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) APPOINTMENT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
  - a.) Wayne made a motion to appoint Nate Sperry for the term ending April 1, 2025. Tom seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0 in favor

2.) FY2025 TOWN BUDGET

- a.) BOS to review first draft and come back with needed revisions

3.) OTHER NEW BUSINESS

- a.) BOS reviewed Planning Board minutes Jan 2024
- b.) BOS reviewed Recreation Committee minutes March 2024
- c.) Zoning Bylaw review, Tom will put working group together

PUBLIC INPUT: Yurity asked the BOS if his rental time for Strathmore Park on 6/14 & 6/15 be extended until 9pm vs 7pm under the current terms. The BOS approve with an increased cost of \$500 per day.

ITEMS TO SIGN: W#20  
W#20A

Adjourned 7:47pm