

Town of Amherst Maine

Selectman Meeting

January 14, 2021 6:30 PM | Meeting called to order by Westley Ellington

In Attendance

Phil Deckers, Crystal Butterfield, Wes Ellington

Approval of Previous Month's Minutes

The Selectboard voted 3-0 to approve the previous month's minutes

Approval of Warrant

The selectboard voted 3-0 to approve the current warrant

Roads

- Phil Deckers spoke with Greg Palman and is going to pick up the Speed Limit Sign and Trailer
- Phil Deckers and Crystal Butterfield will write a letter to the Maine DOT regarding the Tanner Loop Road bridge repairs
- Rick Whittmore received the bid for the Twin Brooks Bridge Replacement Project and has requested the use of the Sand Shed property as a laydown area while doing the work.
 - The selectboard voted 3-0 to approve the use of the Sand Shed property with contingencies of site restoration to a level of current state, and if he is willing to assist in the removal and site prep for the Sand Shed Replacement Project.
 - Wes Ellington will reach out to Nate Santos to ensure that this work will not interfere with the Sand Shed Replacement Project schedule.

School

- No New Business

Town Office

- Reviewed 2021 Annual Budget and Current Expenditures (Budget Health)

Correspondence

- Phil Deckers to follow up on payment/permit issue with David Vessey
 - David Vessey and the Town of Amherst have agreed that the outstanding expenses expected by David are \$424.60
- Wes Ellington to complete the Census Request for new homes permitted in 2020
 - Completed

- Wes Ellington will respond to request from Senator Luchini's Office regarding requirements for having a letter in the Town's Annual Report.
 - Completed

Other Business

- Phil is in contact with Don Bean regarding the Audit of Town Records. Will request assistance as needed.
- Union River Solid Waste is currently working through 2022 Solid Waste Contract
- Wes Ellington is to draft a letter to be approved by the Selectboard which explains to Don Williams that he is to pay the full amount of penalty for removal of property from the Tree Growth Program. This was brought to the Selectboard's attention by Mark Gibson.
- Phil Deckers will follow up with Walt Downer regarding the penalty for removal of property from the Tree Growth Program.
 - Completed - Copy of Check and Receipt from Town Tax Collector was presented by Walt Downer
 - This was conveyed to Mark Gibson
- The Selectboard acknowledges that the Town has a vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals which was not voted on during the last Annual Meeting.
 - This needs to be addressed in the next Annual Meeting
 - Wes Ellington will confirm with MMA what the required number of members are to hold a quorum for the Select Board in the event of a vote.
- Motion made to adjourn meeting at 7:30 PM
 - Passed 3-0

Next Meeting

February 16, 2020 at 6:30 PM; Amherst Town Hall