

TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



Selectmen's Meeting May 4, 2021

Selectmen in Attendance: William Flynn, Erik Walker, Ricky Emery

Attendees: Mike Vane, Deb Merrill, Cliff Cousins, Dickie Perreault, Willy Tracy

Zoom attendees: SJ Smith, Cindy Walker, Cindy Eaton, Brian Fortier, Mike Bebis, Whit Lucy, Dan Molloy

5:30pm the meeting was called to order by Chair, William Flynn.

Minutes of April 27th were approved by Bill; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

Fire Department – Dickie reports 3 medical assists and 1 investigation of smoke. He has done 5 new E-911 address' and got another one today. The truck bids still did not reach the minimum, so Dickie will reach out to the man who offered him \$6,500 to see if that offer still stands. All of the parts for the hydrant on Burnt Meadow Road and Dick Norcross' pond are in. Dickie stated that Brownfield's current share of the American Rescue Plan is \$163,803; he is unsure how or when it will be paid.

Public Works Department – Cliff reports that they had 11 loads of brush removed from the transfer station. They are working on getting the street sweeper and chipper up and running for the season. Dig safe approved the areas on Burnt Meadow Road for the culvert and hydrant. They are working on improving/ditching Dugway Road.

Recreation Department – Willy reports that he rented an aerator from True Value in Bridgton; the Town did not have an account with them so he paid for the rental. Bill motioned to reimburse Willy as soon as possible; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0. Erik motioned to have the Rec Director have a credit card with a \$500 spending limit; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0. We will need to find a cleaner; Michelle may be willing to do it, but she and Willy will need to discuss the particulars. If she is unable, we will put it out to bid. Willy plans to start reopening the BCC as he is able. Erik suggested looking at the fee schedule to help offset the additional cleaning costs due to COVID. Willy is advertising for a swim instructor/aide to run this year's swim lessons. He will be reaching out to Chris Gillespie about doing a summer backpack program.

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Mike Bebis/ Pease Lane – After some discussion, Erik motioned to table this issue while we inquire with a local real estate attorney; seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

Write In Candidates – Bill asked if there was an update on the article; Megan said she has not received any new information from Michelle as of yet.

School Budget – The Board is in receipt of a letter from the Superintendent regarding the proposed 2022 budget; Brownfield’s share has decreased.

Audit – The Board asked if there has been an update on if the audit will be available before printing the town report. Megan will reach out to RHR again for an update.

Comprehensive Plan Committee – Deb stated that they have been working on wrapping up some chapters and are still meeting twice a month.

6:30pm Erik motioned to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Bill. Vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Megan Witt