

TOWN OF BROWNFIELD



Selectmen's Meeting May 10, 2022

Selectmen in Attendance: William Flynn, Ricky Emery, Dick Norcross

Attendees: Cliff Cousins, Dana Forcier, Dana Batchelder, Millie Batchelder, Whit Lucy, Chad Pine, Erik Walker, Mike Vane, John Hicks

Zoom attendees: Cindy Willets, 256-7216, Joe Helper

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

Minutes of May 3rd were approved by Bill; seconded by Ricky. Vote 2-0-0.

Mowing of the Town's Cemeteries- Dana Batchelder, who has the present mowing contract with the town, will quote on maintaining the town's cemeteries as advised by Erik Walker and Jess Davis' instruction and will quote prior to Memorial Day. There are 5 cemeteries requiring extensive yearly work consisting of weed wacking, etc out of the 22 total cemeteries. Before that time, Cliff will be asked to have Public Works do the 5 cemeteries in question and Dana would maintain those as well as the others moving forward if his proposal is accepted.

Town Clerk Position – Michelle is out sick as well as recovering from surgery. Wanda explained that the situation was becoming too much for one person to handle and Alvina Day would fill in for \$16 an hour on an 'as needed' basis. Verifying election help will follow. Bill made a motion to pay her that and Rick seconded. Vote 3-0-0.

Trees around the Rec Center – The selectmen discussed having Jordan tree remove all the trees in front of the rec center- as they are a danger to the wires, pavement and building at this point. With a motion to pay not more than \$1900 made by Rick and seconded by Bill, the vote was 3-0-0.

Properties with trash – Mike Vane, Town CEO, explained that the necessary documents have been sent to #33 Pig Street- a house listed as belonging to Mike Warren. The 4th attempt to notify has been made by Mike Vane, CEO and the next step is to have the Town's Attorney draft a letter

to the owner of record- of which one has not been found as the records were not apparently transferred with the deed. #66 Pig Street is also a concern and needs to be condemned. The 1st attempt has been made to contact that owner and follow up letters will be mailed by Mike Vane as well.

Rodent Damage at the Transfer Station – Quotes to tear out the rodent damage will be acquired by the town as well as a concrete slab installation price so that this can not happen again in the future.

Bridge health in the town – Several bridges in need of attention in town were discussed with no conclusions drawn. Further research needs to be done.

School budget – Although many towns wanted to hold elections in their specific town, it was voted to still require all voters go to Molly-Ockett school to vote on the upcoming year budget.

Safety Works Inspections – Bill read off the infractions of all town departments in need of correcting violations by June 22nd and written up by Safety Works inspector last week. Public works, the rec center, transfer station and town office all had violations to address with proper postings to be put in all.

6:30 Selectboard went into Executive Session to discuss employee employment.

6:45pm Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting seconded by Ricky. Vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah Merrill