

**Town of Pownal
Select Board Minutes
Monday March 22, 2021
6:30PM Regular Meeting**

I. Call to Order – Zoom Remote Meeting

Members Present: Jon Morris, Andrew O'Brien, Heidi Curry & Town Administrator Melissa Porter

II. Ben Smith – North Star Planning

Mr. Smith gave the Board an overview of North Star Planning and what the company offers. He then gave a brief presentation regarding Solar Farms. Selectwoman Curry mentioned the current plan before the Planning Board. Matt St. Cyr inquired about what other towns used their company for this particular issue. Mr. Smith mentioned Freeport, Naples, Acton & Hamden. Mr. St. Cyr & Mr. Smith continued a discussion regarding services.

III. Accounts Payable & Payroll Warrant

Selectman O'Brien moved to approve AP Warrant #62. Selectwoman Curry seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3- Yes 0- No.**

Selectman O'Brien moved to approve Payroll Warrant #63. Selectwoman Curry seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3- Yes 0- No.**

IV. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Selectman O'Brien moved to approve the meeting minutes of March 8, 2021. Selectwoman Curry seconded the motion. Discussion: None. **Vote: 3- Yes 0- No.**

V. Public Comment – Non-Agenda Items

Dick Hogue – Asked about Map 8 Lot 9. He also spoke about the wood lot new price sheet. He spoke about an the ACO position and consider an alternate. He continued his conversation regarding the ACO position. Lastly, he mentioned the tree stand situation. The Board agreed to remove the stand.

Mary Adams – She wanted to verify the Board received the letter that was dropped off at the Town Office.

VI. Department Head Reports – Submitted Electronically

- Dick Clarke – Discussed the bid opening – CLH from Auburn was the lowest bidder. Chairman Morris explained the Board would need to award the bid. The Board discussed the bid a little further. The Board was slightly concerned with how low the bid was. The Select Board discussed gaining clarification on the bid before awarding the bid.
- Chief Peters – Discussed the FEMA reimbursement funds.
- Select Board: Selectman O'Brien reported the results from SW Cole. They passed the compaction and gravel test. He did a water sample at the pump house. He spoke with Mr. Edgerly. Lastly, he attended a ton of meetings
Selectwoman Curry reported she also attended many meetings and spoke about the comments made about the William Allen Farm abutters.
Chairman Morris reported about calls from elderly residents about vaccination sights. The Select Board discussed this item further.

VII. New Business

Chairman Morris commented about the Budget Committee and CIP Committee process.

VIII. Old Business

- Review Headlight Acoustic Analysis: The Board discussed the proposal. Chairman Morris asked the proposal be sent to the Mallett Hall Building and Grounds Committee.
- Elevator License: Administrator Porter explained that the Town failed the license inspection. Two items were listed for the failure. She has been advised by Otis they can do the required repairs.
- Set second joint public hearing for Recreation Sign: The Board unanimously agreed to hold a special meeting and public hearing at 6pm on March 30th.

IX. Correspondence

Administrator Porter asked if the Board received the correspondence from Linda Deming. The Board stated they had received it and will be looking into flag etiquette.

X. Any Other Business

None.

XI. Adjournment

Selectman O'Brien moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Recorded by: Melissa Porter, Town Administrator

SELECT BOARD

Jon Morris



Andrew O'Brien

Heidi Curry