

Town of Nelson
Selectmen's Meeting 3:00 PM
October 23, 2019

Executive Board Attending: David Upton, Maury Collins, Gary Robinson, Edie Drinkwater, Admin. Assist.

Others attending: Senator Jay Kahn

At 3:00 PM David Upton opened the October 23, 2019 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● David made a motion to approve the Public and (2) Non-Public minutes for October 9, 2019 as presented.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Maury made a motion to approve the manifests for October 16 and 23, 2019 as presented.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve a Demo and Building Permit for R. Rowse to remove and rebuild a portion of an existing structure.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a brief discussion, David made a motion to approve the release of written opinion from Town Counsel regarding deed and easement research for lot 005-009-002.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board completed a final review of the RFP for the Solar project and with all satisfied, David made a motion to approve and send out the RFP for the Solar project.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board then completed a final review of the RFP for the Air Sourced Heat Pump project and with all satisfied, David made a motion to approve and send out the RFP for the Air Sourced Heat Pump project.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Library trustees for a professional cleaning of the Library in the amount of \$770.00.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. PR # 1910231

● David made a motion to approve a request for 2020 Budget funding from Monadnock Family Services in the amount of \$911.00.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve a Demo permit for a small cottage on the Pepin property located on West Shore Road.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to regretfully accept the resignation submitted by A. Wilson from his seat as a member of the Town Buildings Committee.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. The Board offered their thanks for his service on the Committee.

● The Board reviewed the RSA regarding Firearms and shooting of Firearms. The review was prompted by recent complaints of target shooting that neighbors found disturbing.

● State Senator, Jay Kahn stopped in for a brief visit with the Select Board. The visit was requested by the Board to discuss legislation regarding the appointment of Town Clerks rather than the current law requiring that they be elected. The Board pointed out that many small Towns do not have qualified individuals available to run for the position. The skills needed today include accounting and computer knowledge as well as being very familiar with numerous State and Federal laws. Electing a person by a "Popularity Contest" does not necessarily allow for the vetting of required qualifications needed to proficiently perform the job.

There was also a brief discussion regarding future legislation for the creation of a "Carbon Tax".

It was agreed that the NHMA will be contacted for their position and information on any legislation already being developed or supported.

● With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

5:04 PM Meeting Adjourned.

For October 23, 2019

David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

Gary Robinson, Selectman