

Town of Nelson
Selectmen's Meeting 3:00 PM
February 5, 2020

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

Others attending: Aaron Treadwell

At 3:04 PM David Upton opened the February 5, 2020 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● David made a motion to approve the minutes for January 22, 2020 as recorded.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve the minutes for the Public Hearing regarding the purchase of a new grader to be partially funded by a bond or note.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Aaron Treadwell came before the Board to discuss the need for a new computer for the Supervisors of the Checklist. The need at this time was critical as a computer would be needed for the Election work on February 11, 2020.

After much discussion, the Board decided that the Supervisors could temporarily use the computer assigned to Maury. Aaron agreed to set up the computer for the Supervisors prior to the election. It was agreed that funding should be planned in next year's budget for a new computer for the Supervisors.

● David made a motion to approve the manifests for January 29 and February 5, 2020 as presented.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David suggested a change in the Warrant to remove the new grader article and draft a new article for a used grader.

Following much discussion, Maury made a motion to leave the Grader Article as written with a 5 year repayment of the bond or note.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0. David abstained from voting on the motion.

● Maury made a motion to approve a Purchase Request from the Highway Department for a new chainsaw. (875.00)

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0. PR # 20251

● Following a discussion regarding the structural ability of the Highway Garage and Safety Building to support the newly proposed solar array, Maury made a motion to hire Anette Day to conduct an engineering study of the structure.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Noting a variance approval from the Zoning Board, David made a motion to approve a Building Permit for V. Pepin in accordance with submitted plans for an open extension along an existing barn.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● After reviewing the Town Hall rentals for 2019, David made a motion to reduce the previously approved rental increase of \$20.00 down to \$12.00 per rental and to amend the language informing renters that the lighting and sound systems are not included as they are owned by the Monadnock Folklore Society.

Maury seconded.

● David made a motion to approve a letter to Robert Lenox, reviewing the role of the Nelson Fire and Rescue Equipment Committee and including a copy of the Town Policy regarding grant applications.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Due to the anticipated Fire Tanker/Pumper delivery sometime in March 2020, David made a motion to approve a letter to the Trustees of Trust Funds for the transfer of funds from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for partial payment of the new Tanker/Pumper truck as approved at the 2018 Town Meeting.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board continued their ongoing discussions of the true cost of Global Warming as well caution over the use of bio-diesel. Research and discussion will continue on how to best address the Town's needs in the midst of multiple concerns.

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

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

4:45 PM Meeting Adjourned.

For February 5, 2020

David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

Gary Robinson, Selectman