

Town of Nelson
Selectmen's Meeting 3:00 PM

September 2, 2020

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

Others attending:

At 3:05 PM David Upton opened the September 2, 2020 meeting of the Nelson Select Board.

● David made a motion to approve the Public and two Non-Public minutes for August 26, 2020 as recorded.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Maury made a motion to approve the joint meeting minutes for August 29, 2020 with the Town Buildings Committee as recorded.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a brief review of all articles approved at Town Meeting, the Board signed the MS-232 for submission to DRA.

● David made a motion to approve the manifest for September 2, 2020 as presented

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a review of an approved variance for setback insufficiencies, David made a motion to approve a Building Permit for P. and K. Castelli to construct an 8'X 12' shed as approved in the variance. Further to waive the permit fee as the size is under 100 Sq. Ft. and would be allowed without a permit on a conforming lot.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● After reviewing an approved variance for setback insufficiencies, David made a motion to approve a Building Permit for 624 Granite Getaway owned by R. Furlong for an addition to an existing cottage and septic upgrade.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve "Request for Transfer of Funds" letters to the Trustees of Trust Funds for: Solar Array project – First payment of \$35,000 and Grader purchase – Down payment of \$110,747.00

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● David made a motion to approve a Certification of Cut and Timber Tax Warrant for a timber cut on the Collins property.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 2-0. (Maury recused.)

● Following a review of loan term offerings ranging from 2.7 % to 4.5%, David made a motion to approve a “Municipal-Lease to Own” submission from Nortrax-John Deere at a rate of 2.7% which was recommended by the Town Treasurer.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

The company will be notified to begin the paperwork as soon as possible.

● The Board considered a request from R. Church to have access to the Town Archives for research on a history project he is working on. The Board agreed that only the Town Clerk and Bert Wingerson are allowed access to the archives at this time and Bert should be contacted to see if she is willing to help find the information he needs.

● David made a motion to allow the Town Hall to be used for Town Government meetings where “social distancing” can be followed and masks remain a requirement for attendance. (Boards, Commissions, Committees)

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following concerns voiced by the Granite Lake Association, The Board reviewed a previously approved Building Permit for reconstruction of a house at 27 Mill Pond Road.

Upon review of the “Checklist” the Board had previously noted that the septic design had expired and needed to be updated and that the permit requires this dwelling to meet the requirements of a DES approved Septic system.

As these elements were both reviewed with the property owner at the time of approval, David made a motion to reconfirm approval of the Building Permit for 27 Mill Pond Road with the same conditions previously noted.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● With a number of opinions coming forward regarding the lighting of a flag in the village, David made a motion that whatever decision is made regarding a flag there will be no illumination at night.

Gary seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● Following a review of the South Pack Solar contract, Gary offered to oversee and report on the progress.

David then made a motion to appoint Gary Robinson as “Clerk of the Works” for the solar project.

Maury seconded.

The motion carried 3-0.

● The Board is seeking information and costs for full room air purifiers as well as UV light units for installation in the heating systems for the Town Hall/Library and Town Office. Installers will be asked to present reviews of their efficiency and ability to kill viruses. It is hoped that these units may be reimbursed through the GOFERR Grant for expenditures due to COVID-19.

● With nothing further, Maury made a motion to adjourn.
David seconded.
The motion carried 3-0.

4:45 PM Meeting Adjourned.

For September 2, 2020

David Upton, Chair

Maury Collins, Selectman

Gary Robinson, Selectman