

**Town of Sumner - Select Board Agenda
August 10, 2021 7:00 pm (Zoom)
Following
6:00 pm Information Meeting
Proposed Marijuana Ordinance**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm on August 10, 2021 with a motion by Kelly Stewart.

Members present: Ed Hinshaw, Mary Ann Haxton, Kelly Stewart, Andy Wickson, Sherry Sullivan, Planning board member Don Berry

Public present: Dorothy Hinshaw, Jenifer Adams

Reading of the minutes from July 27, 2021 were approved with a motion by Haxton, Ed seconded and the vote carried.

Warrant #3		August 10, 2021
Checks	14431 – 14452	\$100,264.45
Receipts	#105 - 157	\$68,631.62

2020-2021 Tax Collected	\$1,339,291.85	92.98%
2019-2020 Tax Collected	\$1,315,069.53	90.57%

Open Session:

During the Marijuana Informational Meeting Dorothy Hinshaw questioned if a public ordinance would be required based on the proposed ordinance submitted. The ordinance states that if the ordinance was to circulate via petition for amendment a public hearing would be required. For example, if the ordinance that was presented in 2019 were to be approved, and a petition was circulated for amendment it would require a hearing. If these questions are present at town meeting it will be clarified.

RSU #10 Report:

Elect Town of Sumner RSU 10 Representative by September 1, 2021

Jenifer Adams inquired about the vacancy of the RSU 10 Representative for the Town of Sumner. Adams has worked as a substitute and ed tech in RSU 10 and most recently has worked as a long term substitute in Oxford Hills. Adams is no longer substituting as she retired in May. Stewart motioned to appoint Jenifer Adams to fulfill the remainder of Charles Maddaus' term. Ed seconded and the vote carried.

Adams will provide her contact information. Sullivan will need to provide update to RSU 10 stating an appointment has been made. Sullivan will contact Charles Maddaus for any information that Adams may need to continue the term. Adams is expected to come to Board meetings to present a report. Reports are typically submitted on a monthly basis. Accountability and attendance is crucial for success in this role and is encouraged in this position.

CEO/LPI Report: Fred Collins

Collins was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict.

Roads Report: Andrew Wickson

Wickson reported that roughly 20 loads of gravel was added to Decoster and Barrows Road. Work on culverts on Bonney Road has begun and there will be temporary road closures beginning 8/11.

Wickson was contacted by Wagner Forester regarding Andrews Bridge. Wagner inquired about putting a temporary bridge over Andrews Road bridge for next year due to the significant amount of logging on that side of the land. The bridge would need to be bonded and a clear sense of liability would need to be outlined. Wickson is concerned that the town will be liable. Sullivan will contact MMA for more information regarding a bond and who would ultimately be responsible in the event of injury. Sullivan will send the updated bridge report to Wagner stating that it has been reduced to a maximum weight of 8 tons. Wickson advised Wagner he would follow up with the Select Board to discuss possible options.

Wickson stated that WA Lucas will no longer be using the fuel tank at the sand site and requested that an account with Blanchard's be created to continue filling the tank with off road fuel. A lock for the building and the pump will be held with Wickson and Bob Stewart.

Wickson inquired about the salt and sand usage with the upcoming plow contract. It was determined that a report will be submitted from the contractors separately. Haxton made the comment that trucks will be dedicated for Sumner to eliminate concern for overlapping sand between towns.

Wickson questioned if a resident outside of Sumner is eligible for nomination for the position of Road Commissioner. The Road Commissioner is not required to be a resident. The individual would have to stand up and announce candidacy, request to speak would have to be approved by a vote and win 2/3 of the vote.

Forms, Reports, Correspondence:**New Business:**

Sullivan stated 30 day lien notices will be mailed the last week of August and will be due September 30th.

Old Business:

The towns of Hartford and Hebron, as well as the Broadband Committee, will join the Sumner Select Board on August 24th at 6 pm. Haxton will request information from Mia Purcell to send to the residents about the current events in Broadband, such as possible grants from the USDA and senate funding regarding infrastructure. More involvement from other towns is crucial for the Town of Sumner. Involvement and investment should be divided equally amongst the towns in this joint venture. The overinvolvement of Sumner on behalf of neighboring towns is discouraged.

Upcoming events:

RESCHEDULE Joint Sumner/Buckfield Solid Waste Committee – August 16th
Sullivan will request possible date to reschedule from the Buckfield Town Manager.

Broadband / Fiber Joint meeting with Hebron and Hartford – August 24th 6:00 pm held at the Sumner town office.

DELAYED Annual Town Meeting, August 28th

Ballot Clerks: Norma Dulac & Becky Durgin; Town Moderator: Terry Hayes
Sullivan would like to have the town meeting held earlier than August next year. Sullivan will research the possibility of hosting the annual town meeting in June and follow up.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 pm, with a motion by Stewart, Haxton seconded, and the vote carried.