

Town of Otisfield
Board of Selectmen Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2018

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Hal Ferguson – Chairman, Rick Micklon & Lenny Adler present.

FLAG SALUTE: Audience and Board members saluted the flag.

2. **ACTION ON MINUTES:**

- A. Meeting minutes from February 28, 2018. *Motion to accept minutes. RM/HF – Unanimous.
- B. Meeting minutes from March 7, 2018. *Motion to accept minutes. RM/LA – Unanimous.

3. **SPECIAL EVENTS**

- A. None.

4. **BOARD & COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- A. Planning Board Public Hearing March 27th @ 6:00 PM - Map R3, Lot 67. (Major Subdivision).

5. **DEPARTMENT HEADS:**

- A. None.

6. **QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC.**

- A. Danny Peaco: Renovation projects: Requesting the town review the Fee Schedule for internal upgrades. The price of materials are rising and therefore the renovation minimum cost should as well. Currently the fee is any project over \$5,000 in value requires a permit. The application fee is \$50.00 with a \$25.00 fee for plumbing projects. All agree that it is time to look at this and thanked Danny for bringing it to their attention. The fees are set by the BOS and AP will put this on an upcoming agenda.

7. **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ITEMS**

- A. Community Hall Rental Agreement Updated. All agree it looks good to them. *Motion to accept the Updated Community Hall Rental Agreement. RM/LA – Unanimous.
- B. Community Hall
 - 1) Dance class: AP: Last meeting suggested a dance class for ladies at the Community Hall, but feels the town needs a projector for this project. David Hyer provided a list of what he is suggesting and it will cost approximately \$400.00. Suggesting money gets split from admin and recreation budgets. BOS Agree and AP will tell David to order one.
 - 2) Contra dancing: AP: Henry and Shirley Hamilton and Pat & Patrice Griffin have requested the use of the Community Hall, Saturday, April 28 at 6 PM for a trial period of 2 hours on a Saturday night to gauge interest in Contra Dancing. It's an easy form of group dancing. If sufficient interest is shown they plan to make it a regular community event that would fall under the Social Outreach Committee. It's appropriate for all ages and you don't need a partner. HF: I see no problem with this, but suggest that it be scheduled around rentals and they are prepared to leave the room as they found it. All agree.

C. Ballot Clerk Appointments: January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2020.

Democrats: Lorette Ayotte, Lisa Morelli-Connolly, Marylou Bessey, Maureen Howard, Betty Wantz, Henry Hamilton, Noreen Edwards.

Republicans: Jacqueline Cotton, Sharon Matthews, Virginia Noble, Adam Grant, Kyle Matthews, Elaine Johnson,

Green / Libertarian/Unenrolled: Anne Pastore, Sandy Ouellette, Kate Matthews, Mark Cotton

*Motion that we appoint the clerks listed. RM/LA – Unanimous.

8. ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA

A. None.

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Town Office Renovation

10. SELECTMEN'S ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED & VOTED ON

A. Town Warrant: *Motion to sign Warrant # 25 to pay the town bills. LA/RM - Unanimous.

B. Compactor: HF: Special Town Meeting to see if the Town people agree with putting a compactor in at the transfer station. *Thursday, March 22nd @ 7:00 PM at the Community Hall.

11. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

A. Sad 17 budget: I thought we were going to put that into next years budget and subtract that from next years. ? AP: They billed it and decided to do it this way. It will go into surplus.

B. Town Office Renovation: RM: The flooring is being done right now. The main office part should be done tonight and then he's going to swap out the two back offices and have them completed by Sunday evening. Countertop was going to arrive tomorrow, but Record Lumber called and said delivery will be next Thursday, because the color chosen was not a stock color. Glenn Snow said he'll come in and install it when it arrives. Once that is done, they will focus on the final product of trim and details.

C. Recycling Bin Cover: RM: A concerned citizen has been asking about a bin cover for the recycling bin. Jim said they do have them and he is not opposed to providing one, but they do have a cost. The cost with hardware and material to install with everything included is approximately \$2,250-\$2,500.00. Discussion: It's a cover that fits like a tarp. It will not stop people from throwing stuff in, but you can lock them and place signs on top, so that when you're not there, it stands on top of the cover. "Recycling Only, No Trash". Some people have removed the sign. If residents will respect the cover it's a good purchase. HF: I'm an advocate of signs and letting people know that there is video surveillance. BOS suggest seeing how it goes first with just using signs and then visit it down the road after if needed.

D. Town Plows/ Road crew: RM: Heard some complaints on Social Media after the last storm/blizzard that the Otisfield roads were terrible and that the internal roads were not safe. All agree that most that complain have never plowed and more specifically plowed town roads which is not the same as plowing a driveway. BOS we fully support our road crew, they do long hours and do a great job. All agree that if someone has a complaint they should call Road Commissioner Richard Bean or the BOS. These comments are non-productive.

E. Road Postings: LA: According to the Bridgton newspaper on road postings, you need an Ordinance on this or BOS need to vote to follow State Law. RM: I believe we have one in place following State Law and requesting we look into this. *Tabled until an upcoming meeting.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A.** Motion to enter into executive session pursuant to MSRSA §405(6)(A) to discuss personnel issues. *Motion to close executive session by___ 2nd___, All Y-N. Discussion: ***No Executive Session held this meeting.**

13. ADJOURNMENT. *Motion to adjourn at 7:45 PM. HF/LA-Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Tanya Taft, Secretary
Approved by:

Hal Ferguson, Chairman _____

Rick Micklon _____

Lenny Adler _____

Approved on April 4, 2018