

Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

March 1, 2022

Mexico Town Office

Calvin Lyons Hall

Present: Cliff Stewart- Chair, Richie Philbrick, TJ Williams, Peter Merrill, Reggie Arsenault- Vice Chair, Raquel Welch- Town Manager, Caroline Mitchell- press, Mat Theriault- Fire Chief, Randy Canwell, Brian Elliot.

Cliff Stewart opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Hearing for a Taxi Cab License for Brian Elliot d/b/a Peg's Taxi.

****TJ made a motion to enter into Public hearing at 6:01, seconded by Richie. All in favor.**

****Reggie made a motion to come out of Public hearing at 6:04, seconded by Richie. All in favor.**

- Agenda Adjustments

****Cliff made a motion to add a discussion regarding River Valley Cleanup under new business. Seconded by TJ. All in favor.**

Minutes:

- Approval of the regular Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes dated February 15, 2022.
***TJ motioned to approve the minutes dated February 15, 2022 as written. Seconded by Richie, all in favor**

Warrants

- Approval of the Warrants dated February 22 and March 1, 2022.
*** Reggie made a motion to approve the warrants dated February 22 and March 1, 2022. Seconded by Richie, all in favor.**

Budget:

No discussion was had other than Town Manager told the Board that winter overtime is down to about 50 hours per person.

New Business:

1. State Wide Authority

****Tj made a motion to sign the document provided to grant statewide authority to the Police Chief and Deputy, seconded by Reggie. All in favor.**

2. River Valley Community Clean up day. Cliff had a request from the committee to post pertinent information on the town message board and provide trash bags. Raquel stated she would take care of that.

Old Business:

Fire department Report:

Chief Theiault explained to the Board that he had been mistaken about the grant that they had received. The grant is a matching grant and he needs to be able to have funds to match his grant.

****Tj made a motion to take necessary matching funds from the contingency reserve account, seconded by Richie. All in favor.**

Car show will be held 5/26.

Police Department Report:

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Library Report:

- Report given.

Code Enforcement Report:

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General Assistance Report:

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Recreation Department Report:

- A few people employed by RSU10 were taken to the hospital not feeling well. The fire department and specialty services checked the building for noxious fumes. The tests that were taken came back with no issues. The building was cleared for use.

Town Managers Report:

-discussed placing an article on the June warrant regarding the interest rate on late taxes.

-told the board that we just sent a check to the Western Valley Access Channel in the amount of \$3355.85

-told the Board that she is learning the bookkeeping position currently and will learn payroll next to allow herself to be able to sit in any position when an employee is out.

-Added Myrtle Milledge to the town report

-explained she needs a motion to be able to sign the CBDG grant

****Reggie made a motion to allow Raquel to sign the CBDG grant, seconded by TJ. All in favor.**

-Stated that the annual town meeting should be held on 5/3 at 5:30 to discuss the articles to be voted on 6/14.

-requested to drop the mandatory masking in town buildings.

-holding interviews on 3/23

-requested signatures on the Credit Union resolution

-discussed a letter received from McKennels. Effective July 1, 2022 they will no longer be sheltering animals. After that date they will be a holding shelter and the charge for this will be \$160.00 a month.

-stated that she anticipates the need for an executive session on 4/5.

-requested signatures on a quit claim deed from 1962.

Road Commissioners Report:

-crew has been cleaning snow between storms

-we are at about 50 hours per person left in overtime.

-roads are now posted until 5/15.

Selectmen's Report:

-Cliff reported on a thank you note from the Western Valley Access Channel and also on information on solar farms.


Public Discussion: Randy Canwell explained the importance of obtaining a flag pole for the fire station.

Reggie made a motion to adjourn at 6:42. Seconded by TJ, all in favor.

Date



Reggie Arsenault- Vice Chair


Peter Merrill
Cliff Stewart- Chair
Richie Philbrick
TJ Williams