

SHARON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Draft until approved at the next regular meeting

A regular meeting of the Sharon BOS was held on October 22, 2019 at 5:30PM at the Town Hall. Present were the three Selectmen, Jamie Casey, Miriam Jones, Paul Bacsik, Jim Krissel, Allyson Latour, Brent Prindle taping for Channel 6, Lila Hawken and the secretary.

First Selectman Colley called the meeting to order at 5:30.

Ms. Fowler made a motion to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Mr. Jones, with all in favor.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Mr. Jones made a motion to approve the 10/8/19 minutes as submitted, seconded by Ms. Fowler, with all in favor.

Paul Bacsik and Jim Krissel, of the Conservation Commission, were present regarding the draft letters to property owners pertaining to recreational easements discussed at the last meeting. The letters drafted by the Conservation Commission need to be for the Conservation Commission and the BOS to sign were reviewed: 1) pertained to issues on an easement; and 2) was to make property owners aware of an easement on their property and a trail map that will be published in the coming months. The BOS offered changes to the drafts including what remediation needs to be done as the easements must remain accessible and that the Town residents voted on these easements. Mr. Bacsik will re-draft the letters for the BOS to further review before they are approved to be signed and mailed. The BOS thanked both Mr. Bacsik and Mr. Krissel.

Janell Mullen has submitted a letter of interest to serve on the Inland Wetlands & Watercourse Commission. She has attended a meeting and a memorandum was received from Land Use Administrator Casey asking the BOS to consider appointing Ms. Mullen as an alternate member. Mr. Krissel, who is the Chairman of this Commission, offered that they would like Ms. Mullen on their Commission. Ms. Fowler made a motion to appoint Janell Mullen as an alternate member on the Inland Wetlands & Watercourse Commission with a term to expire June 30, 2023, seconded by Mr. Jones, with all in favor.

Ms. Fowler gave a broadband update. She spoke to Henry Todd, First Selectman of Falls Village, as they just held a forum on numerous topics. One of our dates of November 17th for a community forum on fiber broadband is good for Jocelyn Ayer of COG. The Economic Development person cannot attend nor can Kim Maxell of Northwest Connect – do we still proceed with this date or wait. It was decided to keep this date so that residents can be made aware of the telecommunication options and the various issues. Mr. Fowler and Mr. Jones will work on social media and a press release to get the date out there. Ms. Fowler will work on the format of the forum = who talks about what topic. No time for the forum was been set yet.

Community Update:

The grass is growing on the Green as well as at the Beach, which was re-graded.

On Friday (10/25), Monday (10/28) and Tuesday (10/29) the Selectmen's Office hours will be affected for various reasons. Individuals should call before coming in.

With the past storm, we had 8-9 closed roads. Getting this information out to residents was helpful. Mr. Colley thanked the Fire Department and Ambulance Squad for being what they are and doing what they do all the time – serving the Town well.

The Sharon Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will be holding the Annual Halloween Gathering at the Fire House on Halloween starting at 5:30PM with costume judging at 5:45PM.

The Sharon Fire Department Ladies Auxiliary will be holding a BUNCO fundraiser on November 1 at the Fire House with the doors opening at 6:30PM and playing starting at 7PM.

The Sharon Woman's Club has the "fill the bag – fill the belly" bags around town for individuals to make contributions to Ella's Food Closet on Election Day.

Based on what individuals appear on the ballot for election, some offices will be closed Election Day. Individuals should call ahead to see if the office they need is open or not.

With nothing further, Ms. Fowler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Jones, with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01.

Respectfully submitted,



Tina Pitcher, Town Secretary

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