

SelectBoard January 21, 8 AM via ZOOM

Attendance : Chrystal Cleary, Lori Langevin, Andrea Ogden, John Ogden, Steven Hall, Michael Jeffery

Call to order 8:02 AM

- The SelectBoard approved the budget with the adjustment reflecting the increased costs for transfer station and fire department increases recently arrived. Chrystal will send the recent letter from Esther Fishman to the SB- it will also be included in the Town Report for the voters.
- The Selectboard directed the Clerk to mail Australian ballots to all registered, active voters for the Annual Town Meeting Ballots. This will happen according to the state of Vermont schedule, of February 10th and will include the School District ballots, as well. Voters may return the ballots by mail, in person drop off at the Town Office, or on Election Day in person March 2nd between 8am and 7pm.
- The SelectBoard worked with Chrystal to finalize specific language for the 5 ballot questions.
- The Cemetery commission is currently mandated by the voters to have 5 seats. But chair Lynn Eckhardt has indicated that with the retirement of Clarence Nichols and no candidate on the ballot, attrition-ing down to 3 may be all that is necessary. Chrystal notes that it must be put to the voters to change the number of members, but the SelectBoard does not want to tell the Cemetery Commission what it should do, suggesting that the question of reducing the number of Cemetery Commission members may be put to the voters next year when the next member's term expires. Clerk Chrystal explains that given Landgrove's small population, it would take only two votes for a write-in candidate to be legally elected (if they consent to serve) and a 5th member may be elected this way regardless. The Selectboard feels this is an internal matter for the Cemetery Commission IF that happens and not a SelectBoard issue.
- The Purchasing Policy that the SelectBoard have been developing has been tabled until the next meeting.
- The Sandbox committee needs to meet again before it has anything for the SelectBoard to discuss, so that has also been tabled.
- Pay orders were examined and signed
- Conference call capabilities of the Clerk Laptop are poor, Chrystal will seek IT help with Silloway to resolve before Town Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28AM