

SelectBoard Meeting March 12, 2020 at 8 am

in attendance:

Steve Hall, Chrystal Cleary, John Ogden, Andrea Ogden

- the SelectBoard signed pay orders. Treasurer Andrea shared a clear table of the accounts the Town has, with color codes and columns, that clearly shows where accounts are (People's, Stifel plus the two long term endowments for Cemetery and Conservation) this graphical presentation was easy to understand and we suggested bringing it into next year's town report, rather than the long lists we usually display as it will be easier for more people to read and take an interest in.
 - Andrea is going to button up 2019, and first quarter 2020 accounts before a professional auditor comes in
 - The Selectboard would like to see incoming funds as well as outgoing much more often. Perhaps quarterly or monthly?
 - Michael is sick, but when he is back, the board tasks him to lead on the CPA, Auditor Search
 - Andrea has initiated a ticket with Silloway (the Town's IT contractor) to quote on a separate license/login for Treasurer from the Lister. Kimberly was both, and so a separate license was not needed last year.
 - The SelectBoard voted NOT to accept the resignation of Anne McClaran as Auditor. She will remain, with Liza Dee and Tove Stigum. Chrystal read a letter from Mary English in response to the SelectBoard report given verbally at Town Meeting, describing the experience the Auditors had with the annual audit.
 - Chrystal and Andrea will work on a job description, salary for an Assistant Treasurer/assistant Clerk position, and show the SB what that might look like.
 - Nothing new on the Sandbox front.
 - John is calling Joe Blair about a suffering maple tree Sale Waite reported near the road.
 - New resident Susan Lenox has asked for guidance about dog roaming at will and frequenting her yard and making it difficult for her to walk her leashed dog in the neighborhood. Does the Town have a leash law or other dog ordinance? It does not. Recommended first and best plan is to talk with neighbors to improve their dog management, if this cannot be worked out to come to the SelectBoard.
 - Mud season: John put out some cones on rough patches
Chrystal phoned the entire list of fuel companies with a kind mud season reminder- all were pleasant and helpful. Dorr remains problematic, per Steve, and he will contact Greg at VTrans for support in getting the message across. Steve also feels posting road conditions on the website, while well-intended, is too problematic: we can't keep it up to date for all roads, and if we post only complaints then it could be assumed all other roads are 'fine'. Specific road info will not be posted to the website anymore - just a general Mud Season Reminder.
- adjourned at 9:10am