

SELECTMEN'S MEETING – January 4, 2021

Present: Richard Bielefield, John Strasser, Margo Connors
Jennifer Gaudette

Guests: Senator Erin Hennessey

Correspondence was read and acted upon.

The 2021 Budget Hearing will be February 1, 2021 at 6:00pm at the Sugar Hill Meetinghouse. Social distancing will be required. The Select Board continues to explore option for the 2021 Town Meeting including moving to a larger area or postponing the business portion.

The board approved a building permit for Jeff Varin for a garage with an apartment on Map 230, Lot 4. Should the septic system on the property fail the owners would be required to install a four bedroom system which they have approved plans for.

The board accepted with regret the resignation of Don Boissonneault from the Board of Adjustment. The board would like to thank Don for his years serving on the ZBA.

Jennifer updated the board on the Department of Labor safety inspection that was held. Most violations will be quick fixes and department heads have already started the process. The Town will have thirty days to implement the changes and another inspection will be done.

The board finalized the building permit with conditions provided by Chief Clark for the tractor barn on the Ski Hearth property owned by Clifford Hughes. Map 207, Lot 9.

Margo is continuing to meet and work on both broadband and the solar project for the town.

STATE SENATOR ERIN HENNESSEY checked in with the board to discuss their concerns and how she can be of assistance to the board. The Board discussed the ongoing broadband discussions and Senator Hennessey offered several suggestions. The Senator is working with Senator Jeb Bradley on a bill that allows towns to put up matching funds for broadband. She stressed it is important for the town to have a plan in place and that the entire process will not be quick and looking at 2022. Margo noted that the smaller towns have a need for a regional ambulance service and that is something that should be explored. Currently Sugar Hill does contract with Littleton Fire. The board also discussed the state education funding and being part of the collation communities.

The board signed the town investment policy as required for the audit.

MR. STRASSER made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of December 28, 2020 seconded by MS. CONNORS. The motion passed unanimously.

With no more business before the Board, MR. BIELEFIELD made a motion to adjourn, seconded by MR. STRASSER, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM. The next regular

scheduled meeting is Monday January 11th, at 5:00pm at the Carolina Crapo Building. Social distancing and face masks required

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Gaudette
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