# Town of Florida Select Board Meeting

Florida Town Hall 379 Mohawk Trail Drury, MA 01343

July 31, 2024

6:00 pm meeting called to order by Neil Oleson.

Select Board members present: Neil Oleson, Tim Zelazo

Select board members absent: Mike Bedini

Others present: Joan Lewis, James White, Vicki Winchell, Ron Bosley, Diana Worth, Terry Green, Al Bedini

### Selectboard:

- Tim Zelazo made a motion to approve the selectboard meeting minutes from July 3, 2024, and July 15, 2024, and to approve the joint selectboard/finance committee meeting minutes from July 15, 2024. Neil Oleson seconded. Unanimous.
- National Grid does not need to use the land by the fire station for poles after all. A special town meeting is no longer needed.
- Terry Green requested confirmation from the board that she cannot live in a camper on her property until
  further notice without it being hooked up to the septic. Neil has confirmed someone cannot live in a
  camper in town unless it is hooked up to the septic system. Hers is not. She has requested a letter stating
  this, for legal purposes. Joan will prepare a letter to be signed by the board.
- Helen Martin would like a business license. Her business was unclear and has been asked by the board to attend a future meeting to discuss what her plan is. Joan will contact her.
- Tim Zelazo made a motion to approve the business license for Justin and Elizabeth Henderson, dba Southview Storage. Neil Oleson seconded. Unanimous.
- Joan will post the upcoming open highway position available for September.

### Jim White, Highway Department Supervisor:

- Phelps Road was repaired from the rain.
- Tony Arigoni submitted a quote for the gate for the senior center. The cost will be \$300.00 for labor and materials.
  - Tim Zelazo made a motion to accept Arigoni Contractor's proposal for building a gate at the top of the stairs at the senior center. Neil Oleson seconded. Unanimous.
- Steve Brown and Jim had a call with Emily Stockman regarding the River Road project. Jim had been mistaken when reporting at the July 3, 2024, meeting that she had completed her inspection. She had not at that time but has completed it now. It could take up to 30 days to receive the report from her.
- Working on the cemetery expansion, Central Shaft Road, mowing cemeteries and roads.
- Chip sealing was supposed to be done this week but postponed due to rain.
- Ed McNeil from the Dept of Public Safety contacted Jim to review the highway department. There were 12 violations in the garage. Some have been corrected and Jim is working on correcting the rest. He was also told they need to take the following safety classes: Tree Cutting, Chain Saw and Woodchipper. Jim has reached out to MIIA for class information.

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### Joan Lewis, Town Administrator:

- The dump stickers are selling well.
- There was a power outage on Friday. Mad Macs were able to get the computers up and running.
- New emails are in progress. The website is being updated with them.
- · Attended the Emergency Action Plan meeting.
- Working on a climate resistance and hazard litigation grant.

### **Public Comment**

- Ron Bosley asked if anyone had contacted Representative Barrett regarding adding the Whitcomb Hill Road project to the state budget. Tim responded he was told by the assistant he needs to have all the information together first. Representative Barrett is supposed to visit the town hall in August.
- Ron Bosley asked if there is a timeline for the repair of River Road. There is not.

Tim Zelazo made a motion to adjourn at 6:30	0 pm. Neil Oleson seconded. Unanimous.
Michael Bedini	Timothy Zelazo