

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Minutes of the Meeting – June 4, 2019

Selectmen James Cleary, David Hardwick, Sr., and Mark Mackesy were present as well as Town Administrator Kristie LaPlante. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Pine Meadows Circle resident Keith Nason came in to discuss two lingering drainage issues on the road that affects his property. One issue is caused by a culvert that drains on his land and a second issue has to do with how water comes down the road's shoulder and washes out his driveway. The Selectmen shared with Keith their focus on resolving drainage issues this year; Selectman Cleary will visit Keith's property to better understand the problem so it can be addressed by the Highway Department.

Selectman Cleary reported to the Board that the Highway Department recently worked on drainage on Mountain Road. The crew stone lined the ditch on the south side of the road, flushed out the culvert, and laid a new ditch on the north side of the road. The culvert will need to be replaced due to a heave.

In other items on their Agenda, the Selectmen took the following actions:

- Heard a report that the heirs of Map 3, Lot 22 cannot remove the hazardous structure because they don't own the property.
- Heard a report that the water heater at the Fire Department was discovered to be leaking and has been replaced.
- Requested the Town Administrator to research heating oil and propane costs from several vendors before making any decisions for the 2019/2020 heating season.
- Discussed the Road Agent's submissions of work schedules to the Board of Selectmen; the Selectmen have not been receiving the requested report of completed tasks.
- Reviewed and approved the Minutes of the Board's May 28, 2019 meeting.
- Reviewed and approved the Accounts Payable Register for May 30th and the Payroll Register for June 6th.
- Signed an Intent to Cut for Map 20, Lot 20-1.
- Heard a report from the Town Administrator that she has not yet been able to deliver the written warning signed May 28th to the employee.
- Reviewed and signed the Property Tax Warrant for the first issue tax bills for 2019.
- Learned that Conval Guidance has selected Bennington residents Samantha Donahue and Maxwell Davies as the recipients for the Edward E. French Memorial Scholarships. Selectman Mackesy signed award certificates for both students.

There being no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristie LaPlante