

Town of Newry Selectmen Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2019 5pm Newry Town Office

Selectmen Present: Gary Wight, James Largess, Virgil Conkright,

Others present: Amy Bernard (Town Administrator), Dave Bonney (CEO), Laurie Walker (Deputy Clerk), Brooks Morton, Adrienne Wylder

Signing of Warrants: All signed

Approval of meeting minutes:

Selectman Wight made a motion to accept the Town of Newry Selectmen Meeting minutes for November 12, 2019, Selectmen Conkright 2nd the motion, all approved.

Adjustments to Agenda: None

Announcements: None

Public Comment: None

Public Hearing:

Open 5:03PM

Selectman Wight made a motion to open the Public hearing for Adrienne Wilder DBA "River Haus and Well" liquor license. Selectmen Conkright 2nd, all approved.

Selectman Wight made a motion to close the public hearing for Adrienne Wilder DBA "River Haus and Well" liquor license, Selectman Conkright 2nd, all approved.

Public Hearing Closed 5:04pm

Consider and Discuss signing Adrienne Wilder DBA "River Haus and Well" new license ~:

Selectman Wight made a motion to approve the liquor license for River Haus and Well, Selectmen Conkright 2nd the motion, all approved.

Selectmen signed the new license.

New Business:

~Consider and Discuss signing Frank Ristoran's liquor license renewal~:

Selectman Wight made a motion to renew the liquor license for Frank Ristoran's, Selectmen Conkright 2nd the motion, all approved.

Selectmen signed the renewal.

~Consider and Discuss a joint Select Board Meeting with Greenwood, Woodstock, and Bethel to discuss Destination Academy areas to consider ~:

Northern Forest Center & Maine Office of Tourism has a grant for tourism this has been done in a number of towns, Rangeley, Greenville.

The purpose of Destination Academy is to work together with other towns on the impact of future tourism. Tourists are coming, and the community has an opportunity to guide how it will impact the area Towns. Da is designed to get communities tighter to plan for how tourism will a long range impact the towns.

Newry Board by consensus is willing to meet and discuss with Mad 4 SELECT Boards on how we can achieve this, and how to stop the over use of our natural resources.

~Consider and Discuss quarterly expense reports~:

Amy Bernard will submit the expense report on a monthly basic to the select board so they can see where we are with the budget fascial so if there are any concerns the can be addressed. Monthly summary report shall be submitted to the Select Board as a standard agenda item at the 1st meeting of month for prior month. Select Board discussed specific line items that are concerns, with the Administrator. Budget looks to date is close to average even considering the new staff changes.

Unfinished Business:

~Consider and Discuss Adult use and Medical Marijuana permits~:

The select board ask Amy Bernard to research the cost for conducting a background check, cost associated with different types of background checks.

Fees can be changed through the town ordinance as needed.

~Consider and Discuss next meeting date~:

Next meeting December 10th at 5pm

Following meeting December 17rd at 5pm

Reports:

Administrator Report: see attached

CEO Report: see attached

Committees Report:

Selectmen's Report:

Selectmen Wight suggested to the board to give the office staff the day after Christmas off.

Selectman Conkright made a motion to give the town employees December 26th off, Selectmen Largess 2nd the motion, all approved

Other Business:

Fire Department will not be having its annual Christmas but does wish to still do the Christmas for kids (Nina Wheeler). A box will be available at the Town Offices for donations.

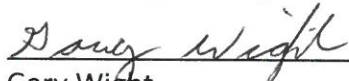
Next Meeting: December 10, 2019 @ 5:00 pm Select Board Meeting
December 17, 2019 @ 5:00 pm Select Board Meeting

Refer to audio recording for verbatim discussion of meeting.

Selectman Wight made a motion to adjourn the Select board Meeting. Selectman Conkright 2nd and all approved. Meeting adjourn at 6:00 pm

Adjourn: 6:00 pm

Minutes Approve By:




Gary Wight

Date: 12/10/19



Virgil Conkright

Date: 12/10/19



James Largess

Date: 12/10/19

Town Administrator's Reports: 11.26.2019

- Planning Board is having training with Shelly Norton on December 4th at 5:30; regular meeting will begin at 7 pm.
- Mountain Explorer Bus received two new busses with federal grant monies. They will be in operation next month
- Town Office will be closed on from noon on Wednesday November 27th and all day the 28th for Thanksgiving Holiday
- Health Insurance premiums increase by 7% on January 1, 2020. We budgeted 10%.
- I attended the planning meeting for the Community Destination Academy's Summit on January 15, 2019. Please save the date and attend.
- FY 18-19 Audit Field work begins on Monday December 4-7.

Code Officer Report Select Board Meeting Nov. 26, 2019

Building Permits Issued

Two Building permits were issued. One Building Permit was issued for a single family dwelling at the end of Timberline Road. One Building Permit was issued for an apartment over a garage off Headwall Drive at the Peaks.

Plumbing Permits Issued

Three Plumbing Permits were issued. One for the single family dwelling mentioned above, one for the apartment over the garage mentioned above and one for a Fall Line Condo unit kitchen/bath remodel.

Road Items

Received a complaint concerning the gravel section of Sunday River Road needing to be sanded.

Building Items

Tink installed stakes demarcating the generator at the Town Office.

Other Items

I would like to attend an MBIOA training on Dec. 12 in Lewiston.