

**MEETNG MINUTES
TOWN OF ST. ALBANS
REGULAR SELECTMEN'S MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 26, 2021
6:00 P.M.**

Roster: Todd Brown, Chairman
 Peter Denbow, Selectman
 Hiram Weymouth, Vice Chairman
 Richard Fisher, Town Manager – Absent
 Char-lin R Williams

Call to Order

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PUBLIC COMMENT - none

Minutes

1. Approve and sign the minutes of the Regular Selectmen's Meeting held on Monday, July 12, 2021 – **Todd Motion to accept as printed Peter Second 3-0 Passed**

New Business

2. Open and Award Bids for Winter Sand
Snowman's Construction Inc 13.50 per cu yard delivered, 6.00 per cubic yard from pit (Pit location Merrill Pit, Embden, ME)

K&F Construction 8.45 per cu yard delivered, 6.25 per cubic yard from pit (Pit location Route 23, Canaan, ME)

Brief discussion of sand quality and trucking costs.

**Peter motioned to accept bid from K&F Construction 8.45 per cubic yard delivered
Todd Seconded Passed 3-0**

3. 2021 Tax Commitment - Options provided are as follow:
 - a. No Increase – 16.75 Overlay: \$18,573.65
 - b. Increase from 16.75 to 16.85 Overlay: \$35,806.69
 - c. Increase from 16.75 to 16.95 Overlay: \$53,039.72**Brief discussion. Hiram wanted to increase to 16.85. Peter motioned to accept option
A. no increase in MIL rate Seconded by Todd. 2-1 Passed**

OLD BUSINESS

4. Set Date for Hearing on Closing Winter Roads – Possible Dates are August 9,23; September 13, 27 – **after brief discussion, Todd motioned to set Public Hearing for August 23, 2021 during next selectman meeting, Hiram Seconded 3-0 Passed**
5. Change Bid Opening Date to August 23rd for Fuel Oil - **Todd Motioned to accept bid open to August 23, 2021, Hiram seconded 3-0 Passed**
6. Approve VALIC Resolution for Updated Retirement Plan – **Peter motioned to approve as written Hiram seconded 3-0 Passed**

Reports

7. Fire Department
Bubar Rd hydrant needs to be dug up to be inspected and possibly replaced. The department is in process of checking and inspecting all the hydrants. The Department was able to acquire 10 portable radios at \$100 saving per unit by finding a vendor. Chief Crocker indicated that once the radios are in and programmed, they are going to have the new vendor check the repeater on the mountain. It has been malfunctioning.
8. Public Works Department
Bruce reported vandalism at cemetery due to an accident on cemetery rd. Todd Patterson stone was damaged beyond repair. Wants to put Sterling out for sale, sell equipment separately. Bruce suggested that he would get additional information on value to set price before listing to sell. Town of Palmyra is interested in purchasing one of our sanders. Repairs this week on grader changed hoses. Looks like it may be leaking antifreeze. Replaced some cutting edgers. Bonnie Lawrence stood up and asked what roads we had worked on and indicated that Nyes Corner Rd had not been touched with a grader lately.
9. Committee Reports - **none**
10. Selectmen's Items. – **Hiram reported on the transfer station MMSWA. They haven't decided on which company will be running the facility. Todd brought an email he received from former fire chief Jason Emery regarding the air packs for the fire department. The email indicated that the packs are still serviceable for 2 more years. Discussion with Fire Chief Crocker. Chief indicated that the company is out of business. The level of servicing available at this time would be spotty. There isn't any production of new parts, the company may not have the parts needed at time of a repair to fix the packs, possibly jeopardizing safety of fire fighters.**
- 11.. Town Manager's Items.

Executive Session

12. Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters as per M.R.S.A. Section 405 (6)(A) –
postponed until next meeting August 23, 2021

Adjournment **Peter motioned to adjourn 7:01pm seconded by Hiram 3-0 Passed**

Respectfully Submitted,

Char-lin R Williams
Administrative Assistant

Todd Brown, Chairman

Hiram Weymouth, Vice Chairman

Peter Denbow, Selectman

Date: _____