

Town of Searsmont  
Selectmen's Meeting  
October 11, 2022  
5:00 P.M.

Assessor/Selectmen attendance: Christopher Staples, Arlo Redman III, Peter Milinazzo

Other attendance: Contessa Mancini, Karen Withee, Michael Sirota, Jesse Gogan, Andrew Russo, Jake Boyington

The meeting was called to order by Selectman Staples at 5:00 pm. Selectman Redman to Chair this meeting.

1. a. Announcements:  
None at this time.
2. Comments:
  - a. Selectman Milinazzo none at this time.
  - b. Selectman Staples none at this time.
  - c. Selectman Redman none at this time.

Public Comments:

- a. None at this time.

Adjustments to the agenda:

None at this time.

Approval of the Minutes:

Selectman Milinazzo made a motion to accept the September 13, 2022, minutes as written.  
Selectman Redman seconded the motion. The vote was passed unanimously in favor.

Old Business

- a. Discussion on Chris Corson property, possible reclassification for a single family home/multifamily homes plus the Town acquiring a 2 acre parcel.
- b. Jake Boyington, ARC, winter snow plow contract adding gravel roads of 5.15 miles at \$6,476.19 per mile would come to \$33,352.38. 5 equal payments of \$6,670.48. The salt/sand shed loader will be \$6,400.00, which ARC is supplying.
- c. Grading on roads except Lime Kiln Road, Diamond Street, and French Road South.
- d. Maple Trees near 60 Lawry Road need to be removed.
- e. Selectman Milinazzo will send Bruce Putnam, Ripley Road, a letter to inform him the road will not be plowed if the road is not cleared (trucks/trailers/misc. articles).
- f. Searsmont has received 5 responses for the RFP for Broadband.
- g. John Witham will install new signs and work on Ripley Bridge planks.
- h. All State Construction will start grinding and paving on Thompson Ridge Road, October 19-25, 2022
- i. Discussion on the status of Andrew Russo, Main Street North. After the discussion, Selectman Redman made a motion to proceed with the lawsuit, The Town of Searsmont, Frank Therio, CEO, and William Kelly, Attorney, against Andrew Russo, Selectman Milinazzo seconded the motion. The vote passed 2 in favor, and 1 abstain.

- j. Discussion on the East section of Searsmont Snow Plowing Contract for gravel and paved roads will be \$153,352.38 awarded to ARC.
- k. Discussion on the West section of Searsmont Snow Plowing Contract for gravel and paved roads will be \$118,116.00 awarded to Billy Kinney.
- l. Discussion on the Searsmont Fire Station Snow Plowing, Arlo Redman IV will continue the contract for two additional years as it is written.
- m. Discussion with Karen Withee, using Community Building lower level to store Historical Society items.
- n. Selectmen Milinazzo will work on the RFP for an Auditor.
- o. Discussion with Jesse Gogan, Parade Committee, would like a place to store the Battleship. After the discussion, Jesse Gogan will submit a request for Parks and Recreation in the amount of approximately \$850.00.

New Business:

- a. None at this time.

Public Comments:

- a. None at this time.

Executive Session:

At 5:55 p.m. Selectman Redman made a motion to enter into Executive Session M.R.S.A. §405(6)(A) to discuss a personnel matter, Selectman Milinazzo seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously. At 6:30 p.m. Selectman Milinazzo made a motion to return to the regular meeting. Selectman Milinazzo made a motion to correct the paychecks for Contessa Mancini with the week ending September 17<sup>th</sup> and week ending September 24<sup>th</sup>, Selectman Staples seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Transcribed by,

Contessa Mancini  
Assistant to the Selectmen