

Town of Searsmont
Selectmen's Meeting
July 15th, 2024

Attendance: Selectmen Redman

Selectmen Staples

Administrative Assistant: Gail Gary-Cox

Interim Town Clerk: Kathy Hoey

1. Selectmen Redman called the meeting to order at 5:28pm
2. Public Comments:
 - a) Comprehensive Plan Committee Program will not be using a slip and slide. They will be offering water toys and activities for kids instead.
 - b) Comprehensive Plan Committee Program would like a budget of \$200 to purchase food, drink, and water activities. Selectmen Redman made a motion to allocate left over grant money of \$200 for food, drink and water activities. Seconded by Selectmen Staples. Unanimous
 - c) Broadband update.
 - a. Contract signed June 14th
 - b. Conclusion date October 15th, 2026
 - c. Freedom, Liberty, Palermo, and Searsmont require permits from DOT for poles
 - d. Conduits need to be inch and a half, bends can be 90 degree bend but needs to be a long sweep, no more then 180 degrees total
 - e. State requires a fabric number of 15 digits per customer
 - f. Levenseller Pond Rd will be excluded from contract
 - d) Susan Robins and Karen Walker discussion regarding Walker Rd
 - a. Need to know what the allowances are for building
 - b. What is the set backs for building
 - c. Where is the public road and bonderies
 - d. What are the variances

3. Selectmen's Comments

- a. Moody Mtn Rd. ARC says definitely starting Monday (today), no signs out?

4. Modifications to the Agenda

- a) Marc Coffey driveway application-permit application on hold pending verification possible sale

5. Approval of the minutes

- a) Defer til next week

6. Old Business

- a) Roads report-previously covered
- b) Davis driveway application-update: sale closed Friday
- c) Berstein Shur
 - a. Personnel Policy-Kathy Hoey will discuss with rep over phone what the meet would consist of and see if worth scheduling a face to face

7. New Business

- a) ACO-Policy on Bringing Animals to Shelter
 - a. Selectmen Redman motion for policy that ACO is the only individual for the town of Searsmont to bring animals to Shelter or to Vet to receive care. Selectmen Staples seconded motion. Unanimous
 - b. ACO would also like to have a couple of vets as a resource to take animals to. Checking into Belfast as a start.
- b) OFC-password policy
 - a. Kathy Hoey will create a policy for passwords. Town assigned passwords, no personal passwords.
- c) Recommit Taxes
 - a. Selectmen Redman made a Motion to relieve Joanne Moulton and sign the Certificate of Settlement. Seconded by Selectmen Staples. Unanimous
 - b. Selectmen Redman made Motion to recommitting the 2023 taxes to Kathy Hoey. Seconded by Selectmen Staples. Unanimous.

8. Selectmen Redman motion to adjourn. Selectman Staples Seconded. Adjourned at 6:16pm