

**TOWN OF LEMPSTER
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

Work session
Approved Minutes
April 5, 2019

PRESENT: Chairman Phil Tirrell, Selectman Mary Grenier, Selectman Everett Thurber and Ingrid Bjork,
Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Cemetery Trustee Cheryl McGinnis, Cemetery Trustee Carol Stamatakis, Shay Simino
and Highway Supervisor Daryl Simino

Chairman Tirrell called the meeting to order at 9:17 A.M.

Agenda Item 1: Cemetery Trustees

Ms. Stamatakis discussed her meeting with Don Clifford regarding the woodlot. She said he told her it would be two to three years before cutting the pine and then a cutting every 5 years. Selectman Grenier said that she will be seeing Mr. Clifford later this week and will clarify when the first cutting will be. She thought it would be sooner.

The Selectmen and the Cemetery Trustees discussed the increased Cemetery Budget for 2019 of \$8,500. This amount includes the mowing and maintenance of the cemetery. The Cemetery Trustees will oversee the hiring of a private contractor (1099). Chairman Tirrell reminded the trustees that the contractor should be using their own equipment and have insurance.

Ms. Stamatakis said that the trustees are looking into getting a presenter to discuss green burials.

Agenda Item 2: Highway Department

Mr. Simino discussed his concern about putting the boards back in at the dam too early and that it could have waited until he returned on Friday. Chairman Tirrell said that he was concerned the water level at Long Pond was too low last year so he spoke with a representative from the dam bureau at DES and was told that it would be ok to put the boards in before all the ice was out.

New Truck with plow equipment - The Selectmen agreed Mr. Simino could sign the purchase and sales agreement for a new Mack truck with plow equipment, providing it does not exceed the approved amount of \$206,870.

Mr. Simino presented a quote from Viking for a new dump body for \$29,450. The Selectmen asked Mr. Simino to get a couple more quotes. Next year they may consider a new one ton pickup.

Mountain Road Bridge Retaining Wall - The Selectmen asked Mr. Simino to get additional quotes for repair of the retaining wall at the Mountain Road Bridge.

Mill Road – The Selectman gave approval for Mr. Simino to sign the agreement for Michie to begin the permitting process for Mill Road.

Mr. Simino discussed Grandview Road. Selectman Grenier said that she would like the Highway Department to concentrate on Lovejoy Road. This includes replacing the culverts, cutting back the banking on the corner of Lovejoy Road and Route 10 and cutting the trees in the right of way.

Chairman Tirrell said that he would like Mr. Simino to submit a written report regarding the Highway Department projects and equipment once a month to the Selectmen.

Agenda Item 3: Miscellaneous

902 Route 10 – Chairman Tirrell said that he will speak to Fire Chief Thomas about completing their training before June 1st. After that date a request for bids will be placed in the Eagle Times for demolition of the house and pole barn.

Chairman Tirrell asked Ms. Bjork to contact GSS and see if a representative will speak with the Select Board about solar power. Ms. Bjork will also contact George Holt of Aries Engineering to see if he can come to a work session to discuss his work and DES' oversight of the 902 Route 10 property. A work session will be scheduled on May 1st.

Selectman Thurber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:40 A.M. Selectman Grenier seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Ingrid Bjork
Administrative Assistant