

Town of Isle La Motte
Special Selectboard Meeting
April 15, 2021
Isle La Motte School
5:00 pm

In attendance : Rusty Spaulding, Selby Turner, Paul Zera, Debbie Spaulding, Mary LaBrecque, Sarah Noble, Cathy Tudhope, Peter Brozowy, Barbara Callahan, Sylvia Jensen

The Meeting was called to order by the Sarah Noble, Town Clerk, at 5:00 pm. Selby Turner nominated Rusty Spaulding as Chair, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Selby Turner nominated Mary LaBrecque as Select Board Clerk, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Jim Benson, candidate for animal control officer presented his credentials, and asked questions concerning his responsibilities if appointed. Selby Turner made a motion to appoint Jim Benson as Town Animal Control Officer, Paul Zera seconded. All in favor. As the dog ordinance has not been updated since 2001, Jim will send a contract, review the ordinance, and offer his suggestions.

Letter to Mary Catherine Graziano concerning her open meeting complaint due to technical issues. Motion by Selby Turner to ratify letter to Mary Catherine. Second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Minutes of 2/27: Selby Turner moved to approve minutes, Paul Zera seconded motion. All in favor.

Minutes of 3/3: Selby Turner moved to approve minutes, Rusty Spaulding seconded motion. All in favor.

Liquor Control Board of 3/3 : Selby Turner moved to approve minutes, Paul Zera seconded motion. All in favor.

Minutes of 3/10: Selby Turner moved to approve minutes, Paul Zera seconded motion. All in favor.

Minutes of 3/15: Selby Turner moved to approve minutes, Paul Zera seconded motion. All in favor.

Minutes of 3/31: Suggestions from attendee for corrections to the minutes, and asked if signed minutes would be posted on website. Chair affirmed that they will.

Representative from Trustees of Public Funds requested Select Board input concerning the 3 Town lots. A meeting of the Trustees of Public Funds is scheduled for 11:30 am on 04/20 at Town Hall. Selby Turner will represent the Select Board.

Payroll of 3/16/2021 : Amount of \$2103.27, ratify Selby's signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Payroll of 3/21/2021 : Amount of \$2224.95, ratify Paul's signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding. All in favor.

Payroll of 4/13/2021 : Amount of \$2847.805, ratify Paul's signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding. All in favor.

Payable EMT of 03/03/2021 in the amount \$514.99, ratify Paul's signature. Motion to ratify by Selby Turner, second by Rusty Spaulding . All in favor.

Payable EMT of 04/14/2021 to IRS \$1569.00 Motion to approve by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Payable 03/3/21 \$8160.40, ratify Selby's signature, motion to approve by Paul Zera, second by Selby. All in favor

Payable 04/14/2021 \$13802.50 Motion to approve by Selby Turner, second by Paul Zera. All in favor.

Monthly Budget Balance sheet : Not yet available.

Road Commissioner Report : A price for guard rail on West Shore Rd, across from Maya Center. Cost of \$8950.25 from LaFayette. Vt Department of Transportation uses LaFayette.

Green Up Day discussion: Proceed as in last year, encourage residents to clean up their street, leave bags by road. Bags and grabbers are available for use. Transfer stations will invoice towns for costs. Will post on Front Porch Forum and in Islander.

Town wide appointments : Most appointments have gone away. Select Board will investigate and see which appointments are needed. Health officer is appointed earlier than Town Meeting Day.

Selby Turner made motion to set posting places at Town Website, Town Hall, Post Office, and School. The newspaper of record is the Islander and the Select Board meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday of the month at 5:00 pm. Paul Zera seconded. All in favor

Snowplow contract and mowing contracts : David Rowe's contract is 3 years. Mowing roadsides, snow plowing and regular mowing contracts are all up this year.

Brothers shed removal : Lakehurst will assume responsibility for removal of shed and other miscellaneous junk.

Other Business:

Suggestions from attendee concerning this years Town Report.

Question from attendee concerning digitization of land records. At this point, they are not available to the general public at this time.

Pursuant to 1 V.S.A . 313 (a)(1)(A) and (a)(2):

1. I move to find that premature public knowledge regarding potential contracts and/or lease option agreements would clearly place the Town and persons interested in negotiating with the Town at a substantial disadvantage by disclosing details of their discussions to competitors, thereby impeding full and frank negotiations.

2. I move to enter into executive session for the purpose of considering one or more potential contracts and also for the purpose of negotiating possible real estate options.

Motion by Selby Turner to enter into Executive Session, second by Paul Zera, all in favor
Executive Session commenced at 5:56 pm.

Select Board returned from Executive Session at 6:11 pm. Chair noted that any contract or lease/option will be reviewed and voted on during an open meeting.

Motion to adjourn made at 6:13 by Chair. Second by Selby Turner. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary LaBrecque
Select Board Clerk

Rustam Spaulding

Selby Turner

Paul Zera

