

Stockbridge Board of Selectmen - Draft

December 19, 2019, 7:00 PM

Present: Lee Ann Isaacson, Dave Brown, Jim Shands, Lori Scott

The meeting came to order at 7:02 PM. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

**Road Commissioner Report**

**Revise and Upgrade Lighting in the Town Garage**

Dave has worked with contractors and Efficiency VT to plan and quote the upgrade to the lighting at the Town Garage. There are substantial rebates available for the fixtures. **Action Item:** Dave to complete getting full costs for the installation. The Board approved moving forward with the work if the full costs stay within budget.

**Town Loader**

Loader continues to have repair issues. It has had an interim fix so that it can continue usage through the winter, but it will need a more substantial repair in the spring.

**2020 Culvert work**

Dave has prepared a schedule of culverts that will be worked on starting in the spring. Materials for this work have been received and are being stored.

**Other Business**

**Delinquent Tax Report**

Susan Pelletier attended and reported on current status. There were more delinquencies this year than in previous years, but payments have been coming in at a steady pace throughout the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of November and through December. Stockbridge charges interest and penalty after late payment of the second payment on 11/15. Susan has researched with other local towns and found that Stockbridge is the only local town that does not charge interest on late payments of the first installment. **Action Item:** The Board will review.

USDA Timber stand improvement project. Board reviewed the information and is asking the Road Commissioner to review and provide any concerns or comments. **Action Item:** Dave to review.

Chateaugay Forest Legacy Project. The town received information about the project this week asking for the boards support. There was also an article in this weeks Herald outlining details. The board would like to review this further in deeper detail. **Action Item:** Board to continue to review and discuss at the next Selectboard meeting.

**Orders were reviewed and signed**

**New Business:**

**Leased Lands (Glebe Lands) 24 V.S.A. § 2409**

The Board reviewed details regarding Leased Lands/Glebe Lands which go back to pre-revolutionary war Vermont. In order have time to research and determine Glebe land impacts to the town of Stockbridge, the Board agreed to meet before the next Selectboard meeting to vote on retaining Stockbridge municipal ownership.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Lori Scott, Town Clerk

