

Buildings and properties commission

Meeting Agenda & Minutes

1 May 2019

Time and Place: 9:30AM on May 1st 2019 in the Selectmen's office in Town Hall.

The meeting started at 9:30AM and was concluded at 10:15AM.

The attendees were: Mark Lyon, Nick Solley, Joe Fredlund and Tony Bedini.

The meeting consisted of a discussion of items listed below. No motions were made.

1. Status of Bee Brook Firehouse heating and cooling contract. Check received, parts ordered, expect to start work in mid-May.
2. Bee Brook Firehouse floor resurfacing. A cost of \$31,725 is included in 2019-2020 budget.
3. New Preston gateway sign. Has been replaced with a swinging assembly and is complete. We received full reimbursement from the State for the original sign.
4. Status of Legion Hall/Senior Center. The Adult Services Group has developed a survey on the needs and desires of seniors and will be distributed. Results not yet compiled.
5. The black top sidewalks around the town hall are in very poor condition. They have depressions that collect water and freeze in the winter and cause wet feet in the summer. Their misshaped crowns make it very difficult to clean them of snow. It is proposed to replace them with 4' wide concrete material. The top step at the side entrance will be removed to eliminate the trip hazard. The railings will be reset. It will be ADA compliant. A&J Construction has quoted a cost of \$24,192 and is included in 2019-2020 budget.
6. New Preston proposed projects. Nothing has been planned or discussed.
7. Tony will contact Engineered Coatings about floor moisture in hall and bowling alley and cracks in front steps.
8. We have purchased and received 2 each 4 foot diameter ceiling fans with a controller for the old portion of the town garage. Kevin will handle the installation. Cost \$530.10
9. There are 8 single passage, outside doors at the Bee Brook Firehouse that need replacement. They are exposed to standing water in some areas due to the contour of the walks leading to the doors. Redoing the contours as not a viable solution so we plan

to replace all the doors and some frames with fiberglass materials. We have received a quote from John Quist for materials and labor of \$11,000 and is included in the 2018-2019 budget. Materials will be purchased from Washington Supply. Materials ordered with delivery in mid-May. Will start work then.

10. A large piece of rain gutter had fallen off the salt shed and was repaired by Gregg McKirdy for \$481.86. The length of gutter that had fallen was in good condition and was reinstalled. To prevent any leakage at the joint, both ends of the gutters were capped and water was diverted to the leaders at both ends. There are five leaders on that side of the building. A boot was replaced on the other side of the building where the leader meets the drain pipe.
11. The repair/replacement of the underground drainage pipe leading from the furnace room is moving forward although progress is being hampered by the rainy weather. After considering several options, it was decided to replace most of the pipe and direct it to a culvert that was installed, when the depot roadway and drainage system was renovated, in preparation for further drainage issues. The culvert is deep enough in the ground to provide more than adequate pitch for this project. The drain emanating from the furnace room is 8' underground. The area has many wires and pipes buried and so the excavating has to be done slowly and carefully. Brian will create a map of the pipes and wires he has found. The new installation has a locator ribbon placed on top of the pipe for ease of locating in the future.
12. Three new picnic tables have been delivered to the town garage for replacement of the three that were "borrowed" for Booth Park from River Park. They will be placed when the ground dries a bit so that a truck can be used to place them.
13. Tony will contact Stephan Saharek on a price for concrete steps at the end of the sidewalks, by Pels Real Estate office and Valley Spirit leading to the parking area facing the Pantry.

Respectfully submitted,
Tony Bedini
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