

Middletown Springs Selectboard • Thursday, May 23, 2019
Regular Meeting Approved Minutes

BOARD PRESENT: H. Childress, C. Fenton, C. Haynes, P. Kenyon, T. Redfield
TOWN OFFICERS: Sarah Grimm, Auditor; Bill Reed, Highway Foreman
PUBLIC AND GUESTS: Tom Fuller, Fuller Sand & Gravel
CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

It's like living in Hawai'i... three hours of rain every day.

Minutes: T. Redfield moved to approve the minutes of the May 9 meeting; P. Kenyon 2nd; [*all in favor, motion carried*]. T. Redfield moved to approve the special meeting minutes of May 16 and 17; P. Kenyon 2nd [*Childress, Fenton, Redfield in favor, P. Kenyon abstained; C. Haynes not yet present; motion carried*]

Highway: Bill and Brent have been filling and clearing potholes with the backhoe as best they can. Some culverts have been pre-placed, waiting for dry enough weather to work. We have a temporary permit for upsized culverts on Haley and Lookaway roads.

Roads have been readied for the Memorial Day parade.

We'll have a temporary grader coming early next week to try out for possible purchase. Our grader will go into the shop for evaluation next week.

We did not get the second round of paving grant for Rt. 140.

We missed our line-up for the mower, and are now scheduled for July 15-19.

FEMA has made a declaration of disaster for the mid-April rain event. Reimbursement is likely to be nearly a year away.

The Town received three bids for the paving projects on West Street/140:

- Wilk Paving—\$258,282.69
- Pike Industries—\$316,117.50
- Fuller Sand & Gravel—\$275,689.00

We compared differences in estimated material quantities, and found the Wilk and Fuller overall costs to be within \$5,000. T. Redfield moved to award the paving project to Fuller Sand and Gravel for the stated unit prices, based upon equalized material use quantities; P. Kenyon 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*].

T. Redfield has done some review of hazardous trees through town, but will take a tour with Bill to examine other prospective dangers. We hope to contract for some tree trimming and removal late in June.

Town Lands: The building committee consultant has begun interviews. The committee has developed a subcommittee headed by David Munyaiak to explore construction management options.

The West Street site feasibility study is underway, with a kickoff meeting last Friday 5/17. The elevation survey will be conducted in the next couple of weeks, and there will be a public meeting in mid-June to discuss the first site planning alternatives.

Solid Waste: T. Redfield moved to hold a tire disposal event on Saturday 6/15, at \$2.00 per tire disposal fee for passenger vehicle tires, \$5.00 for large truck tires, no tractor or equipment tires at this time; H. Childress 2nd [*all in favor, motion carried*]. This event will be held at the Transfer Station.

Correspondence:

- Three proposals for the West Street paving projects
- US Census Bureau invitation to participate in New Construction Program
- Two return to work physician's letters for Bobby Parker (effective June 15, 2019)
- MS Historical Society Newsletter
- VLCT News
- Ads

Board Orders: H. Childress moved to approve the board orders as presented; T. Redfield 2nd; [*all in favor, motion carried*].

Other Business: The audit is nearing completion, with communication from the auditors likely to come in the next two weeks or so. The audit firm was complimentary to the Treasurer and the town's Auditors, and felt that they had come into a well-organized body of recordkeeping.

Adjourn: T. Redfield moved to adjourn; C. Haynes 2nd; [*all in favor, motion carried*]. Meeting adjourned 9:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Herb Childress, Selectboard Clerk