

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CORNWALL BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, November 6, 2018 - 7:30 p.m. – Cornwall Library

PRESENT: First Selectman Gordon Ridgway, Selectman Richard Bramley, Selectman Priscilla Pavel, two citizens

First Selectman Ridgway called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. thanking the library for the use of their meeting room as the Town Hall is the polling place for today's elections.

MINUTES: Selectman Pavel made the motion to approve the minutes of October 16, 2018 as presented. Selectman Bramley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: First Selectman Ridgway made the motion to add to the agenda Appointing Terry Burke as Assistant EMD. Selectman Bramley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS: First Selectman Ridgway relayed his report from Roger Kane that the second bridge, Gravel Bank, is done. Both bridges, Gravel Bank and Smith Place, were done ahead of schedule and under budget. There is some landscaping to be finished. First Selectman Ridgway thanked Mr. Kane for his work on these two projects.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The Board received an inquiry about the Septic Committee's visit to the Hillsdale site, inquiring about the engineer and funding.

TOWN MEETING CALL: The Board reviewed the call to Town Meeting for November 16. There are three items on the agenda which the Board reviewed: the town report, the Five Year Capital Plan and the discontinuance of a portion of Hart Hill Road. Town Reports are available at the three post offices and the Town offices.

First Selectman Ridgway made the motion to sign the call and take the three items to Town Meeting. Selectman Pavel seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

STONEWALL FARM LEASE: First Selectman Ridgway reported on the progress of the change of ownership of Stonewall Dairy and the farm lease, also known as the Lorch Farm lease, of the town owned farm property to be entered into with the new owner. First Selectman Ridgway presented an amendment to the lease which the Board reviewed and discussed. First Selectman Ridgway made the motion to add the amendment: Dirt Capital Partners, Lessor of the property at 332 Kent Road, Cornwall Bridge shall work with the town in the event that the joint Lessee of both properties terminates their leases to assume the lease from the town and find, approve and assign a new Lessee such that the two properties remain jointly farmed as a viable commercial farm unit by a lessee acceptable to both parties. This right shall remain in effect until the end of the lease on 332 Kent Road, Cornwall Bridge, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2027. Selectman Bramley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

ASSISTANT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR: First Selectman Ridgway reported on his meeting with Terry Burke and Diane Beebe, the new EMD, and the transfer of authority. Mr. Burke would be willing to continue as an assistant. The Board discussed this. First Selectman Ridgway made the motion to appoint Terry Burke as Assistant Emergency Management Director. Selectman Bramley seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were none.

BILL PAYMENT was done in the usual manner. There were no bank reconciliations.

Meeting adjourned 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Hart