

Town of Colrain  
Select Board/MLP Board Meeting  
Highway Garage  
9 Jacksonville Road  
4:30 P.M.

**MINUTES OF APRIL 26, 2022**

**Present** Joe Kurland, Mike Slowinski

**Absent** Thom Griffin

**Others Present** Joseph Michael Rohl, Mary Patrice Roehl, Gail Johnston, Jane Johnson, Josh Slysz, Jennifer Smith David Nims, Joan McQuade, Kathy Phelps, Ben Eastman, Dawn Brown, Kellie Smith, Donnie Brown, Jon Stetson, Michael Shuipis, Joshua Hall, Betty Ringwood, Deb Menard, Howard Phelps, Rachel Glick, Douglas MacLeay, Finance Committee members; Heather Sonn, Police Officer; Betsy Shuipis, Administrative Assistant; Kevin Fox, Town Administrator.

Joe Kurland, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

**Appointments Stetson Brothers/Ed Clark Road condition discussion**

The Select Board met on Ed Clark Rd. to inspect the construction of a roadside drainage ditch that runs from Ed Clark Rd. onto Stetson Bros. Rd. Residents have concerns with the construction and lack of engineering that may compromise safety. Highway Superintendent Scott Sullivan described why and how the work was done. There was no resolution to the problems found at the site.

**Colrain Finance Committee - Review of Draft FY23 ATM Warrant**

Kevin Fox gave the 2023 budget highlights. Our budget is increasing 2.1%. The Broadband Enterprise Fund. Kevin Fox has applied for a grant that may be able to transfer money to fund this deficit. Swipe fees are running very high \$3/month for each customer who pays by credit card vs. check order.

**New Business Request to be appointed to the Colrain Board of Health - Kate Minifie**

**MOVED:** Mike Slowinski moved to appoint Kate Minifie to the Board of Health immediately. Joe Kurland seconded. **Approved.**

Tim Hartnett send notice to the Select Board of his resignation from the Board of Health.

**Tire Disposal at Transfer Station - Request to reduce fee from \$5 to \$3**

Can we dispose of tires with rims - Michael will find out and get back to the board. Bobs' Tires used to take tires with rims for free.

**Not voting to reduce the fee at this time.**

**Old Business Replacement lighting at the Arthur A. Smith Bridge - lighting choice**

Electrical Inspector highly recommended a particular style. Won't see the light and proper lums. David Nims added on a solar timer.

**MOVED:** Michael Slowinski moved to approve the Electrical Inspector recommendation

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**FCTSD Enrollment**

No update at this time.

**Unanticipated Josh Slitz - 119 Main Road - permission to speak on behalf of the owner, Brian Gooley**

The owner responded to the letter of complaint saying all was taken care of. Kevin Fox checked the property and found one unregistered car and one unregistered vehicle under wrap. A request for a permit or a plan on how to . Jane Johnson says there are 3 or 4 unregistered cars at any given time.

Two weeks ago asked Ms. Dawn Brown to have a letter of compliance. Dawn Brown will mail the letter to the town office.

Glenda has moved another vehicle. Brown letter will be sent. Tetra has two left out of four. Kevin will contact her. Brenda will meeting with K about fence. Mr. Culver's son said he'd re-mail a letter. Ms. Caron has 2 fewer vehicles and some trash gone. Mr. Boyden occupied. Mr. Boles property has a old Camara and motorcycle. Karen Eastman letter received today. Mr. Slitz is getting rid of his vehicles and more done when the weather drier.

Paul Griffin haven't heard from him. Ben Davenport

**MOVED:** Mike Slowinski moved as written  
Thom Griffin seconded. **Voted unanimously.**

**Town Administrator  
Update**

**MOVED:** Thom Griffin moved to dissolve the meeting at 5: 35 p.m. Thom Griffin seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted by the Select Board

Betsy Shuipis  
Administrative Assistant

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Joe Kurland - Chair

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Mike Slowinski

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Thom Griffin

## Documents

Select Board Meeting Notes

Fiscal Year 2023 Budget Highlights presented by Kevin Fox, Town Administrator