



**Town of Whitingham  
Office of the Selectboard**

**MINUTES OF APRIL 19, 2023**

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The Whitingham Selectboard held a regular meeting at 6:30pm in the Selectboard Office of the Whitingham Municipal Center on Wednesday, April 19, 2023.

Selectboard members present: Scott M. Reed, Chair; James Weber, Vice Chair; Craig Hammer, and Robin Kingsley.

Others present: Gig Zboray, Selectboard Office Administrator; Stanley Janovsky, Jr., Road Commissioner; Fred Aldrich, Allstates Construction; Dan Hollister, ACO; Brud Sanderson, Stevens & Associates architect

**Call to Order. Additions or Changes to Agenda**

Scott M. Reed called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Changes to the agenda were noted on the meeting copy.

**Hearing of visitors (for concerns not on the agenda)**

None.

**Highway Garage: review engineer's site plan suggestion(s)**

Brud Sanderson presented four options for proposed garage after doing a topographic survey and confirming wetlands/river rules. There are wetlands on the property but not in the area of any the proposed improvements. All options were discussed. The board leaned towards option 1. Mr. Janovsky would like time to consider all the options, do some measuring, etc.

**Highway: open paving and gravel bids**

**Gravel:**

Cersosimo 1" shoulder material- not gravel, bid tossed out  
Zaluzny 1" minus crushed gravel delivered \$32 per cubic yard  
Pike Industries ¾ gravel delivered \$25.86 per ton; approx \$38.79 per cubic yard  
Mitchell Materials/Allstates 1" minus crushed gravel delivered \$18.70 per ton, approximately \$28.05 per cubic yard.

**Paving**

Peckham Burrington Hill Road \$119.51 per ton  
Sadawga Lake Road \$113.70 per ton  
Town Hill Road \$112.14  
Merrifield Road \$111.28 per ton  
Bazin Bros \$101.95 per ton  
Pike Industries \$97.60 per ton  
Mitchell Materials/Allstates \$97.75 per ton

**Scott M. Reed made a motion to award Mitchell/Allstates the paving and gravel bids, seconded by James Weber, all in favor.** Pike offered a slightly lower price, but the board wasn't happy with the paving they did last year.

**Sewer: discuss resident using our engineers for a sewer connection**

The property owner of 62 Brickhouse Road would like to connect to the sewer system. They have contacted Weston & Sampson Engineers to design the connection. W&S is the engineering firm in charge of our sewer upgrades project. The property owner wanted to make sure the Selectboard didn't feel it was a conflict of interest. The board is fine with that.

**Hazard Mitigation: review contractor proposals to update LHMP**

We have a grant to update our Local Hazard Mitigation Plan, proposals were due today. We received six:

- Chloeta \$8,107.73
- North Hill Solutions, LTD. \$8,050
- Windham Regional Commission \$10,150
- OPH Consulting \$7,560
- Threat Owl \$7,500
- Jogan Health \$6,405

Gig Zboray, James Weber, and Stanley Janovsky, Jr. will review the proposals, evaluate the criteria and make their recommendations to the board.

**Approval of Payables Warrant – April 20, 2023**

**A motion was made by James Weber to approve Payables Warrant #W2342 dated April 20, 2023, seconded by Craig Hammer, all in favor.**

**Approval of Payroll Warrant – April 20, 2023**

**A motion was made by Robin Kingsley to approve Payroll Warrant #W2341 dated April 20, 2023, seconded by James Weber, all in favor.**

**Review and approve Minutes of April 5, 2023**

**A motion was made by James Weber to accept the Minutes of April 5, 2023, as written, seconded by Scott M. Reed, all in favor.**

**Other business**

**Discuss creating a town Facebook account** The board approved trying social media (Facebook, Twitter and/or Instagram) to share information about local events and emergency situations. The main filing of public information will continue to be the town website. Gig does not plan to post agendas or minutes on social media. If public comments get ugly, we can shut these accounts down.

**Traffic Fines** we received \$286.50 for traffic fines for the month of March.

**Franklin Land Trust bike ride** The 18<sup>th</sup> annual bike ride will be Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. We may have some riders coming through town depending on which route they choose.

**EZ Riders Landowner Appreciation Dinner** Selectboard members were invited to the dinner on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm here at the Municipal Center.

Lions Club tag sale in Municipal parking lot on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Selectboard approved as long as it follows the municipal rental policy.

**Adjourn**

**A motion to adjourn was made by James Weber, seconded by Scott M. Reed, all in favor.**

Scott Reed adjourned the meeting at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
~Gig Zboray