

**Town of Fletcher – Select Board**

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**Monday, August 17, 2020**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Virtually Present**

**Members:** Jon Bondy (Chair), Rich Bidwell, Christine E. Nilsen, and Jesse Wiens.

**Guests:** Pam Jedlicka, Eva Gillilan, Trista Ringer, Rachael Scarpa (Secretary), Karrie Sweet (Town Clerk), and Aimee Tinker (Assistant Town Clerk).

**1) Call to Order**

- a. Jon called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

**2) Board Business:**

- a. Orders:
  - i. The Assistant Town Clerk provided more information about the Accounts Payable orders.
  - ii. Jon, Jesse, and Christine approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll orders.

**3) Road Report:**

- a. Matt called Aimee with the following updates:
  - i. Road crew has been hauling winter sand.
  - ii. Proposal for Road Crew raises: The Select Board discussed Matt's proposal for Road Crew wages and approved a \$0.75 raise across the board raise for the Road Crew to be retroactively effective July 2020.

**4) Broadband:**

- a. Northern Borders approved the town's grant application.
- b. Mansfield Community Fiber is going to work on a first draft of loan application for VEDA.
- c. Paul Giovanni is working on a cover letter discussed in the 8/3/2020 Select Board meeting.

**5) Other Board Business:**

- a. Town Office air conditioner continues to work well.
- b. The Select Board discussed the Town's Zoom account and ways to communicate the new link to residents.
- c. Voting: The counter machine will be used for the November vote.
  - i. The Town Clerk's office will have a chance to test the machine before the vote.
  - ii. The Select Board discussed creating and distributing (via mail and social media) a ballot guide. The guide will highlight the importance of ballots being filled out correctly, so the counter machine reads them. For example, no red or green ink and filling in the ovals completely.
- d. The Select Board agreed that Chris Ringer should be paid \$19/hour for his work in the Zoning Department; this is the same wage a Maurice Rathbun was paid until taking leave.
- e. Select Board meeting venue:
  - i. The Select Board discussed whether they should return to in person Select Board meetings. Given the unknown COVID-19 landscape and the increase in resident attendees to virtual Select Board meetings, the Select Board agreed to hold virtual meeting until further notice.

**6) Adjournment:**

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:39pm

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**Upcoming Meetings:**

Select Board Meeting: September 7, 2020 at 7pm

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Jon Bondy, Chair

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Jesse Wiens

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Matt Gillilan