

## **Shaftsbury Select Board**

Monday September 19, 2022

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting came to order at 6:30 p.m. Present were selectpersons Art Whitman (chair), Mike Cichanowski, Martha Cornwell, and Joe Barber. Also present was webmaster Jen Holley, in charge of Zooming.

### 2. Conflict of Interest Statement

No one reported a conflict of interest with any item on the agenda.

### 3. Minutes

There were none.

### 4. Warrants

- Payroll warrant #5, \$26,197.85. Mr. Cichanowski moved to approve the warrant. Mr. Barber seconded the motion, which passed 4-0-0.
- Check warrant #8, \$130,951.85. Ms. Cornwell moved to approve the warrant. Mr. Cichanowski seconded the motion, which passed 4-0-0.

### 5. Announcements

Mr. Whitman noted that both the DRB and Planning Commission need volunteers. The DRB especially needs help, as citizens apply to the DRB for project approvals and deserve a timely response to such requests.

### 6. Public Comments

There were none.

### 7. Treasurers report

There was none. Mr. Whitman reported that the Town is solvent.

### 8. Fire Chief Joe Vadakin – Equipment Purchase

Mr. Whitman reported that Mr. Vadakin had intended to appear before the board, but was not present. Sirens had sounded moments earlier which could explain his absence. The board would look forward to hearing from him at the next meeting.

### 9. Introduction Proposed Ordinances

Mr. Whitman said that the ordinances being presented tonight were for informational purposes only. The Select Board will officially adopt them at the October 3 meeting. A petition representing 5% of the citizens of Shaftsbury can be filed within forty-four days after that date, after which a town election would be held December 6. Otherwise, the ordinances will be adopted in November. Mr. Whitman presented the new ordinances, which are incorporated by reference in these minutes. Each ordinance is available for review on the town website. Those ordinances are:

- Town Speed Ordinance

The ordinance lists all town highways to be limited to 25 m.p.h. The remainder will be limited to 35 m.p.h.

- Closure of Legal Trail to Motorized Vehicle

The southern end of Dexter Road, a trail, will be closed to prevent ATV drivers from turning around in a residential driveway on the trail (as they do now).

- Firearm Ordinance Village Residential Districts

Discharge of firearms will be prohibited in the Village Center and Village Residential zones, which include S. Shaftsbury village, Paran Acres, the Grandview neighborhood, and others. The zoning map delineating these zones can be found on the town website.

#### 10. DPW Report

Mr. Whitman said the crew is mowing and grading.

#### 11. Other Business

Martha Cornwell reported that the ARPA committee will hold a meeting for the public on Thursday September 29 at 6 p.m. at Cole Hall and via Zoom.

Mr. Whitman reported on the meeting held regarding the Grandview/Hawks sidewalk scoping study. He said about five families were represented at the meeting. Their biggest concern was speed. The town will take interim steps to address that concern.

Ms. Cornwell noted that the Select Board will be holding a hearing on proposed changes to the zoning bylaw approved by the Planning Commission at their next regular meeting.

#### 12. Review of Action Items

The Board will take up the ordinances at the next meeting, Oct. 3.

#### 13. Adjournment

Mr. Barber moved to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. Mr. Cichanowski seconded the motion, which passed 4-0-0.