

Selectmen Meeting Minutes  
April 5, 2023

Norman Beckwith called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Calling of the Roll

Selectmen: Norman Beckwith, David Thorp, Kirk Hamilton

Secretary: Carolyn Nye

Guest: Crystal Stimpson

David made a motion to amend the minutes of March 22, 2023, to remove a paragraph regarding information about the Marijuana Ordinance dispute that still needs to be investigated and to replace a word regarding the school budget from paid to received. Norman seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Norman made a motion to reschedule the Shirley Budget Meeting to April 12, 2023, at 5:00pm. Kirk Seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The selectmen agreed the minimum bid for the Shirley Tax Acquired Property located at 35 North Road will be \$10,000.00.

Kirk spoke to the Town Clerk Marti in Monson about Fire Protection Services Fees. Marti said they service the towns of Blanchard and Elliotsville. Marti said she will talk to the Fire Chief and Select Board Members. The Fire Chief from Greenville will be sending how many accidents have been in the Town of Shirley this year.

Joe Guyotte gave a summons to the residents who have not come in to pay for their dog registrations for this year. Carolyn reported that most of those on the list have come in to pay.

Norman spoke to Paul Brown from the State about fixing the Upper Shirley Corner Road. Paul will be coming to the town sometime this spring to help decide how to fix the road.

Norman said Charlie Aucion has agreed to cut the spruce tree down by the Bill Nye memorial.

Crystal Stimpson presented an article to be put on the town warrant for this year's town book. The article was asking if the Town wanted to vote to have Shirley become an unorganized town to reduce taxes. The selectmen Norman and David explained to Crystal that the town has explored this before with the state. The State came and talked about what it will take to become an unorganized town. The State at that time didn't feel that Shirley was able to become unorganized as it still had elected board members. If the state were to take over, they would sell every building that belongs to

the town. The town would no longer have a say in any part of the town such as roads. The residents had voted at the town meeting not to become unorganized.

David made a motion to go into executive session at 7:10 pm pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(E) to discuss legal matters with the Blanchard Road. Norman seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The Selectmen came out of the Executive Session at 8:00pm with no decision being made.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Submitted by,  
Carolyn Nye