

Town of Bakersfield
Select Board Meeting
March 12,2018

Present

David Ovitt	Josh Goss
Lance Lawyer	David Houston
Mac Newett	Sam Cribbs
Kathy Wescom	

Warrants

Select Board	07-2018	\$808.20
Select Board	08-2018	\$25,628.82
Road	10&11-2018	\$16,876.25

Present were the three new Select Board Members, Sam Cribbs, David Houston and Josh Goss
Lance called the meeting to order Sam seconded it.

A new Chairperson needed to be nominated, David Ovitt nominated Lance Lawyer this was seconded it, and all were in favor.

David Ovitt mentioned that Brian Wescom was willing to help with any questions or information he could provide.

Minutes from Feb 26 meeting were read and an amendment to the meeting was requested. It was requested to amend **That Vera Lawyer will stay until a new Treasurer is trained** to read **that Vera will stay temporarily to train a new Town Treasurer.** Lance motioned minutes be accepted with amendment, all agreed.

It was also requested that the minutes of the meeting from 2/12/2018 be amended from **Vera transferred money from the equipment repair fund to the new Equipment fund to Vera requested that she be able to transfer money from the repair fund to the new equipment fund and was given permission by Select Board to transfer the funds.**

Warrants were reviewed and signed.

Lance noted all Select Board members are paid for their time.

Vera submitted a written request that Abby Miller needs to be signer on accounts as the new treasurer, Audrey Haselton will remain as a signer, Vera's name will be coming off. Motion made by David Ovitt, Sam seconded. So Voted.

Dan Marcotte will be putting on a show for the 4th of July celebration. Sarah Joe Willey has asked to have the date of the celebration confirmed as necessary paper work must be filed to have Dan perform. It has been decided that the 4th of July celebration would be held Saturday July 7th and Sarah will be emailed with this information.

At the request of the Select Board Kathy inquired to the League of Cities and Towns what the Towns liabilities are concerning the overhead sap lines that Kevin and Larry Lawyer have on Waterville Mt Road. Vicki Abare responded that the Town of Bakersfield should request a Hold Harmless agreement with the Lawyers. The Select Board has also previously requested proof of general liability from the Lawyers, a letter will be sent requesting they provide the insurance info requested and have them sign a hold Harmless agreement.

Jessica Goss was voted in as an auditor at the Town Meeting. She has submitted a letter of resignation. Lance voted to accept it David Ovitt seconded it.

Kathy brought up that we needed to set a training pay for Vera. David Ovitt suggested \$25.00 per hour and Lance seconded it.

Abby Millers salary also needed to be set, and it was motioned to set it at \$17,500 per yr. David motioned it and Sam seconded it.

At the Feb 26th meeting Dan Conner mentioned that someone from the road crew attend the meeting of the NECP to provide a voice and a vote for Bakersfield. This was discussed as to who should attend with Bill Newett and the Select Board. No decision was reached.

Mac Newett updated the board on the road salt available, he also brought up that while working on the Joyal road a cable was nicked. Verizon (now Consolidated) was notified and came out to repair the cable. Mac stated we received a bill for \$3,400 stating the Town was liable. Mac has tried to resolve this with them without success.

It was requested by David Ovitt to provide Kathy with all info needed and ask her to send it to Vt League of Cities and Towns and have them resolve it.

There was a discussion about the sap trucks causing issues with the back roads. David Ovitt mentioned we can not stop them because they are hauling perishables.

David Ovitt had a discussion with the Judge from the Environmental Court involving the permit dispute between the Bannisters and the Graves. A decision has not been reached. David suggested that if this goes any further Mike Gawne be brought in to represent the Town.

David Ovitt motioned to this put on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss further. Sam seconded it

There are several appointments that need to be filled

Auditor

1st Constable

2nd Constable

Planning Commission

Library Trustee (Pat Debevec has someone she would like appointed)

Since no one had any suggestions they decided to table it until the next meeting and get suggestions for the appointments.

David Ovitt moved the meeting be adjourned and Sam seconded it.