

**Town of Bakersfield**  
**Select Board Meeting**  
**May 12,2019**

**Present**

Josh Goss	David Houston	Sam Cribb
Gary Denton	Mac Newett	Pat Dezotelle
Kathy Wescom	Mark Doremus	Jamie Curtis
Ginger Miles	Matt Hull	Robert Willey
Laurie Hubbard	Lance Hubbard	Sharon Lawyer
Cindy Newett	Sharon Evans	Larry Krygier
Bob Anderson	Jeremy Wilkins	Allen Hurlburt

Josh Called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Jamie Curtis was present to address the concerns about the complaints made regarding the trailer located at 415 Rt 108 South. Ginger Miles visited the property and stated there had been complaints of odors coming from the trailer. She found no evidence of trash, Jamie stated the odor could be coming from the wood stacked on the property. The trailer is empty. He has agreed to have all the wood from the shed and other piles removed in 30 days and call Ginger to have her go back and assess to see if this eliminates the issue. He stated the trailer needs to be cleaned out and moved and asked if the town could help with that. Josh said he did not feel that could be approved.

Sharon Lawyer, Sharon Evans and Cindy Newett were there to represent the Church and Historical Society and request the town grade around the buildings and put down some crushed stone. Josh stated he did not feel the town would

provide the stone but would be willing to haul it and do the grading if they were willing to purchase the stone.

Mark Doremus was present to support the road crew and the work they do.

Laurie Hubbard was present to discuss her frustration with the road crew and the poor condition her road is in. She stated tax payers are fixing their own roads and she has had prior issues with Mac She asked what her choices were when she could not resolve the issues with Mac. Josh told her coming to a Select Board meeting was the right thing to do.

Mark Doremus stated the town was not willing at the town meeting to allocate more money for roads. Jeremey Wilkins stated not enough detail has been provided to justify an increase. He felt if money is requested, they need to justify how the money will to be spent Josh explained that this has been a bad winter and has affected many roads throughout the state not just Bakersfield.

It was questioned if there had been training for the grader operator? Mac stated he took a grader operators course which was geared more towards safety. Roads are not being crowned, sides are not being pulled in and no turn outs being done to allow for water to run off. Josh stated they were working on this.

Larry Krygier was present to request \$100 for the portolet that is usually put in the park this time of year. Also discussed that the handicapped portolet for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July would cost \$199 which will be paid by the town.

He also stated the BCC has been doing water sampling on the brooks. There is one brook that has no name the BCC has put in a request to have that brook named the Paige Brook.

BCC is again requesting using the gravel pit for hiking. The board denied this due to safety concerns with equipment and steep banks.

He brought up a possibility of a grant for electric car charging station. The town only must approve it. It is up to BCC to apply for funding and find a location.

Question about who maintains sidewalks. Mac stated the road crew does.

Also, in question was a light on the flag pole. Josh stated we are checking into a light on the flag pole as well as on the monument.

Jeremy Wilkins stated he is a volunteer employee and has lived in Bakersfield for 5 years. He feels that the class 3 roads are very poorly maintained. Nearly impossible to drive on. He feels that the town is negligent. Poor road work done by the road crew not doing their jobs, the town is negligent in repair and maintenance of roads.

Josh informed Wilkins that select board is working on this, that we had an emergency board meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup> and had an executive session. Jeremy gave samples of road repair materials.

Mark stated people need to come to town meetings.

Mac stated work is being done and will continue to get the roads back in shape. The grader has been broken down but has now been repaired and the constant rain has hindered the progress of getting work done.

Jeremy requested posting the minutes to the meeting and the agenda. Josh stated we do post the agenda and minutes and he should read the minutes and the agenda from tonight's meeting to see what action is being taken.

4-wheeler concerns were once again brought up. VASA will be having a Safety Training course. VASA patrol their own trails. Josh provided the contact info for VASA.

Ginger received numerous complaints on 4/22/19 about foul smells, trash and rats at 227 Avenue. She has been working to resolve this but has not been able to contact the owner.

Barry Domino compliance officer for Northwest Solid waste was called to the property for burning trash. They would not let him on the property. He cited them for burning without a permit. On 5/12 there were complaints of a bonfire. Robert Willey investigated it, they would not let him on the property to see the bonfire. They did not have a burn permit. Robert informed them they needed one and needed to put the fire out. The next morning you could still see the fire smoldering. He informed them he knew they had been warned before about burning trash. Robert stated there would be no permit issued to them since they have been warned twice.

Ginger noted at this point we cannot issue tickets. She will contact the state and file whatever paperwork is needed to get a book of tickets she can issue. We can also call Franklin County Sherriff's.

Ginger has not gotten ahold of the owners. There is a health concern for neighbors. Ginger will request an emergency health order through the state and meet with the landowners. This all takes time and Ginger wants to be certain she files all paperwork needed.

Josh stated we are going about this the right way. Any more burns and fire dept will respond with the Sherriff's as back up.

Matt Hull stated they will provide a CPR course in the fall. They are becoming CPR certified this fall.

Matt requested a line of communication between the BFD and the road crew as to conditions of the road in an event of a fire or emergency. They will keep Ambulance Service updated. Mac agreed

The fire dept will do an exercise at the Brigham Academy. They have been asked by the Town to board up some windows on the second floor at the building while they are there with equipment. Matt has agreed. The town will pay for materials.

Next meeting Select Board meeting May 27<sup>th</sup> will be to sign warrants only.

Motion to accept previous minutes and emergency minutes as is, minutes were excepted.

Warrants review and accepted as is.

**Warrants**

Select Board	11-2019	\$22,210.94
Road	02-2019	\$6988.99
Road	18&19-2019	\$12,655

Emily Flieger has requested to sell cupcakes on the village green as a fund Raiser Sam approved all agreed.

Anissa requested doing a coin drop 6/8/2019 Sam motion to approve all agreed.

Permits were signed for Nathan Rad, John Cross and Ed Robtoy.

Sam motioned to give \$100.00 towards portolet for the park, Dave seconded it all agreed

\*\*\*\*\* Boucher was appointed to library trustee due to the death of Anne Blanchard all agreed.

During the 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration the Town Building will not be open for bathroom use. Sam motioned to get a handicap portolet and a second Porto let will available for Use Kathy will give Larry Krygier \$199.00 for the handicapped portolet let Gary seconded it.

The Geddes's have agreed that if the trailer is rented this will be the last time. Vaughn Comeau will write up an agreement. Sam agrees that one of the barns needs to come down and is willing o work with the town to help to get it removed.

The Geddes's have had an inspection of the trailer. Pending proof of inspection, the Town will agree to renting this one last time.

Josh explained that there have been numerous complaints about the road crew.

A new work schedule has been submitted to Mac which will be used to log daily work. This will be effective the week of 5/12/2019

A new Mileage reimbursement form has also been implemented.

Major complaints regarding driving around town. Josh recommended using the small truck when driving around checking roads with material on the truck to do any repairs possible.

Josh asked if being both Road Commissioner and road crew foreman interfered with his ability to prioritize and to designate work. Mac stated it did not.

Need for maximizing productivity of road crew.

Per Mac drug and alcohol testing is being done.

The concern of personal appearance was addressed.

There were also issues with attitude and comments to the public generating several complaints.

All agreed we need more professionalism.

It was questioned if there was a grader operator school/class.

We need to start now to determine how much money will be needed for next year's dirt work budget.

Questions were raised as to how much gravel could be stock piled.

Do to permitting we are unable to crush stone at the pit.

Josh asked Mac to discuss issues with the road crew and implementing the use of the new forms.

The employee handbook will be reviewed and revised.

Dave motioned to adjourn the meeting and Sam seconded it. 10pm