



SELECTMEN'S MINUTES
MONDAY JUNE 7, 2021

Present: Parker Lord, John Kiker, Steven Mattson and Mary Powell-St Louis, Bob Cope

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 P.M. and the minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

The board reappointed Lars Anderson as Tree Warden and J. Melvin Woody to the Water Pollution Control Authority.

A tax refund request in the amount of \$168.54 was approved.

The board discussed the July 4th parade and Selectman Kiker was asked to prepare a press release communicating the Rte. 156 detour and closure as required by the DOT Road Closure Permit.

The board was appraised of a resident's request for signage during the DOT detour from Rte. 82 for Beaver Brook Rd stating, "no through trucks". The board will evaluate the need for such signage as the detour period begins.

The board discussed the installation of safety guiderails at the four ends of Joshuatown bridge to replace the wooden posts presently in use. Consideration of the iconic visual presence of this bridge in town convinced the board that a marginal cost premium for wood over steel was appropriate at this location.

The members were made aware of the commitment by DOT to share 50% of the cost of the Birch Mill Rd bridge replacement after a 2 year wait. The project is awaiting permitting prior to moving forward.

Selectman Lord updated the board on a possible recognition of Lyme's "old growth forest" being pursued by the Open Space Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:01 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Mattson
For the Board of Selectmen