

Minutes of the Wilton Select Board Meeting
September 6 2022

(FULL RECORDING IS AVAILABLE AT www.mtbluetv.org)

Members Present: Keith Swett, David Leavitt, Tiffany Maiuri, Michael Wells, Phil Hilton
Also Present: Town Manager Perry Ellsworth

Item #1& #2 - Minutes of the Select Board Meeting of August 2 & 16, 2022

Motion by Keith/Second by Tiffany-To accept the Minutes of August 2, 2022 and August 16, 2022. Vote: 4-0 Abstain-1

Item #3- Public Comment on a non-agenda item

Nick Santora, Resident of 1033 Rt 2 Wilton brought recurring concern with a speeding issue on Rt 2 that goes by his property. He feels it is getting out of control. He would like to know what the plan is with the Sheriffs Department and the Wilton Police Department in regards to what they are going to do.

David- The Police Chief addressed this issue with the State Police and increased patrol.

Item #4-Old Business

A. Interlocal Agreement with County for Fire Service Washington Plantation

There is approximately 60 people in the two townships. A request for funding was made to the County in the amount of \$2,500.00. This would cover Washington Plantation. (See Attached)

Motion by Phil/Second by Keith-To Sign the Agreement with the County for Fire Service for Washington Plantation. Vote: 5-0

B. Interlocal Agreement with County for Solid Waste for Washington/Perkins Plantations

A request for funding was made to the County for funding in the amount of \$4,055.00 to cover both Washington and Perkins Plantations.

Motion by Keith/Second by Mike- To Sign the Agreement with the County for Solid Waste for Washington and Perkins Plantation. Vote: 5-0

C. Cemetery Memorial Committee

Perry has not heard from Kent Wiles as of yet but would like to get started with the Cemetery Memorial Committee so the spot can be picked before snow. We presently have two community members and two Select Board members who have volunteered. If Kent Wiles is not interested Perry would like to solicit for a 3rd person as suggested by the original planning process. (No motion needed)

D. Web Page Update

Brandy would like to remodel the web page. Perry stated that we will discuss on how we can make our web page better. If agreed, Renee Woodard is a potential candidate for our go to person for entering information.

Tiffany-She feels the layout and the design is sound. Efforts should go into keeping things current.

Mike-The Department Heads could submit information to Brandy.

Phil-He feels we should be able to look up important data such as Minutes, Budgets and Audits.

This will be updated on our potential path forward. (No motion)

E. Blueberry Festival Committee

It is recommended that a new committee for Blueberry Festival be appointed annually. It is projected that the next Blueberry Festival Committee should start meeting in November. It was discussed to move forward with application process. (No motion needed)

Item#5-New Business

A. Liquor License Application (Comfort Inn)

Perry stated that are no reported issues from Police, Fire, and Code Enforcement.

Motion by Mike/Second by Phil-To Accept and Approve the Liquor License renewal for Comfort Inn contingent on the Taxes being paid current.

Vote: 5-0

B. Tax Commitment Special Meeting

The Tax Assessor has asked for a special meeting on September 16, 2022 at 3:00 P.M. to set the Tax Commitment for 22-23. (No motion made)

Item # 6- Manager's Report

(See Attached Manager's Report)

#2-Perry suggested a workshop to discuss funding options with the Select Board and Heinz.

#4-In reference to interactions of the County Commissioners and local municipalities, with police paying 55% of the total bill and the Unorganized Townships pays 6%. The County needs to step up to the plate. The County Mill Rate is 8. Ours is 19.4.

Tiffany agrees the County should pay their share and Perry feels we should have some input in reference to the County Budget. Sharing services should be considered. Tiffany feels the formula is what needs to change with each town. Perry stated that we need economic development.

#7-In reference to a proclamation for Shannon Smith. It should be considered. A thought would be on the first day of the Blueberry Festival. We could have a plaque and possibly have the day be called "Shannon Smith Day".

Mike thought it was a fantastic idea! 32 years of service. It is people volunteering. That is what makes us great. Mike will work on a proclamation and submit to Perry.

Item #7-Other

Public Works has been working at the old Forster Mill site to prevent another roll over of the sidewalk plow this winter.

Item #8-Executive Session pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(A) Personnel

Motion by Tiffany/Second by Keith-To go into Executive Session pursuant to 1

MRSA § 405(6)(A) Personnel 6:39PM Vote: 5-0

Out of Executive Session at 7:03 PM

Item #9-Adjournment

Motion by Phil/Second by Tiffany- To Adjourn Vote: 5-0 7:04PM

