

## Board of Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2019

Senior Center

At 6:00PM Mr. Kiley called the meeting to order at the Senior Center with Mr. Petraitis and Mr. Tripp also present.

Approval of Minutes from 7/23 and 7/30. Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to approve the minutes as written. So voted.

Approval of Warrants. Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to approve the warrants as written. So voted.

Steve Magnante spoke about property damage to his home and gave each member of the board a packet (attached). Steve stated that he bought his home on Spring street 10 years ago and any time there is serious rain his property is heavily flooded. The foundation of his house and garage have begun to erode and his homeowner's insurance was cancelled. Because he has a mortgage the mortgage company placed a policy on his home which increased his bill by over \$300/month. Steve stated he's not looking to cause trouble but does need to get this issue resolved. Dale explained that the town does know about this issue and that Steve's property is not the only one in town with similar issues. The storm drain pipes were installed in the 1800's and have eroded over the years. To Dale's understanding the issue with Steve's property specifically is that the drainage pipe was crushed when the garage was excavated and built. Dale did say that the town is addressing the issue but a timeframe can't be given. Steve was given Jason Benoit's name as a point of contact for the issue. Dale also stated that the town has been applying for grants from the state and fed to resolved the drainage issues.

Dale read a letter (attached) from the North Brookfield Emergency Squad asking that the town accept a donation to the fire department for a new cruiser for the fire chief. Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to accept the donation. So voted.

Dale read a letter from Spectrum (Charter) about a channel change (attached).

Dale opened the meeting for discussion or questions from the residents.

At 6:15 there was a pole hearing for National Grid. Laura Napolitano read a letter from National Grid explaining pole placement and reason on Old East Brookfield Road. John verified reason for a new house being built and asked if the wires would be underground, Laura verified the wires to the house would be underground. Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to approve the placement of the new pole. So voted.

There being no further business Mr. Petraitis moved, and Mr. Tripp seconded, a motion to adjourn at 6:20pm. So voted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ashley Barre