

Select Board Sidelines

October 27, 2021

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Submitted by Bill Lombardi

The following topics were discussed at the Select Board meeting on October 21:

Green Space Committee: Clairlynn Roundtree, Wendy Reinemann, Kathleen Thornton, Donald Kleiner, and the Board's Josh White were named as the initial members of this committee. We apologize to Heather Jackson whose Statement of Interest was a victim of the computer ether. We also have a request from Karin Rector to consider.

Thank you all for your willingness to be of service.

Please note, all are welcome to participate in committee meetings whether you are a voting member or not.

Committee for the Future of the Thompson Community Center (CFTCC): A follow up meeting between members of the CFTCC and the Board of Directors of the Thompson Community Center (TCCA) is in the process of being scheduled.

From last week's Sidelines: It was proposed that an interim committee composed of members of the TCCA and the CFTCC be formed, in order to operate the building until the select board decides upon a long-term solution for the building. The TCCA was amenable to this and asked that the CFTCC prepare some concrete thoughts regarding a joint committee and further cooperation so that they can discuss with counsel.

Speeding: A dynamic speed sign near the curve on North Union Road by Coggins Hill was in operation from 9/30 until 10/11. The results were that almost 73% of all travelers were in violation of the speed limit. The average speed was 50 MPH, 10 miles over the posted speed limit with multiple speeders over 70 MPH. It has been reported that members of the Sheriff's staff have been monitoring speeders here and other areas in town. The signage issue will continue to be discussed.

Aging in Place Committee: The Senior "to go" luncheon was a great success with 39 smiling and grateful recipients! Thanks to the committee members and volunteers for making this an enjoyable event!

Tax Bills: A system upgrade caused address problems on some tax bills. Research and hand entering by our stellar office staff has rectified most of the address issues. If you have not received your real estate tax bill, please check with the town office. Payments are due November 15.

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Election Day & Date Change of Select Board Meeting: Tuesday, November 2 is election day. The polls will be open from 8 AM to 8 PM. Absentee ballots are available. The next Select Board meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, November 3 at 6:30 PM. Please note that the Town Office will be closed on election day.

Planning Board Meeting: On Thursday, October 28 at 6:30 PM at the Pullen Municipal Meeting Room a public meeting will take place regarding the “Final Site Plan Review” for a commercial gravel pit on Happy Hollow Road. This meeting will be held in person and will also be available on Town Hall Streams.