

**Town of Mount Holly**  
**Special Select Board Meeting**  
**June 24, 2019**  
**Minutes**

**Present:** Select Board: Mark Turco (chair), Ron Tarbell, Jennifer Matthews

Town Officials: Clinton Woolley

Public: None in Attendance

1. **Call to Order** by Chair Mark Turco at 4:00 p.m.
2. Consideration of any changes and/or additions to the **Agenda** – Jennifer Matthews asked that a request from the Department of Agriculture regarding mosquito testing be added. Discussion ensued as to best placement for the requested testing comprised of three cups to be checked once a week starting the first week of July through mid-September. The Department of Agriculture would like to do the testing at the transfer station. Clinton Woolley stated that Lake Ninevah would be a better location, with concurrence from Mark Turco and Ron Tarbell.
3. **Ditch Bank Mower Purchase** – Clinton Woolley presented the Select Board, as requested, with a written quote for \$11,500 from Champlain Valley Equipment for a Woods 5’ ditch bank mower. Discussion ensued around the viability and longevity of the current mower and the funds currently available for the purchase of a new mower. It was agreed that the current mower should be used until it no longer can be, and that the other mower be consigned or sold as soon as possible. Ron Tarbell made a motion to purchase the Woods 5’ ditch bank mower for \$11,500 from Champlain Valley Equipment. Jennifer Matthews seconded the motion, passed unanimously.
4. **Swap Shed** – Jennifer Matthews presented the brochures and prices she had gathered for a new swap shed while visiting and talking with a number of vendors. She first looked at a Tuff Shed from Home Depot, followed by an Old Hickory shed from Mike’s Country Store, then a shed from Jamaica Cottage in South Londonderry, and finally, a shed from LaValley Building Supply in Ludlow. She briefly described the various sheds, recommending the \$2,300 Old Hickory shed based on its quality construction and 30/50-year warranty on materials and workmanship. Mark Turco stated he did not want to spend the taxpayer’s money. Ms. Matthews noted that surplus solid waste sticker sales and disposal funds were available per Treasurer David Johnson. She also noted that a number of residents had asked for the swap shed’s return. Mr. Turco said no resident had ever asked him about a swap shed. He also stated that the old swap shed was always full of junk and that it was disgusting. He said many residents only used the shed to dispose of junk without a sticker. Ms. Matthews stated the shed would come with rules about what would and would not be accepted. Clinton Woolley suggested that the road crew could build the shed. Mr. Turco and Ron Tarbell embraced the idea and asked Mr. Woolley to pull together a materials list and cost. Ms. Matthews questioned how the road crew could have the time to build a shed and whether they could build a quality shed for less given their labor costs and the high cost of building materials.
5. **Adjourn** – Ron Tarbell made a motion to adjourn at 4:36 pm, seconded by Mark Turco, passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer Matthews

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