

Ferrisburgh Selectboard Special Meeting Minutes
Special Meeting August 1, 2024
6:30 pm

Members in attendance: Clark Hinsdale, James Benoit, Chris Campbell, Steve Fleming and Walter Reed, II

Others in attendance: Pam Cousino, Town Clerk, Brian Goodyear, Franz Collas

1) Call Special Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Clark Hinsdale.

2) Select Reappraisal Company

Brian Goodyear was present to discuss the appraisal contract with Real Capital Consulting Inc. for one year with the ability to continue for another year unless notice of intent **not** to renew is provided by either party at least **90 days prior** to the expiration of the initial terms. Jim Benoit moved and Chris Campbell seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

3) Select Reappraisal Company

Brian Goodyear – Lister – went over the proposal again that was submitted by Tyler Technologies. After some discussion Jim Benoit moved to accept Option 1 on page 2. \$172,150 with a start date of 3/15/2025 and a completion date of 7/1/2026. Steve Fleming seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

4) Sponsor/FEMA Buyout for Old Hollow Road Landslide (839 Old Hollow Road)

This was item 5 but we swapped 4 and 5 since Franz Collas was available. After some discussion Franz stated that he felt the FEMA buyout was the only way to go. There is nothing at the back of his house since this latest landslide and he was concerned that a repair wouldn't work. It would be a disaster to have the house fall in Lewis Creek and potentially take out the bridge that is just downstream. This means that FEMA will buyout Franz's property and everything will be removed, with restrictions on the property that will allow no building, it will just be a greenspace.

Chris Campbell moved to help Franz with the paperwork that needs to be done for the buyout. Franz hopes to have all of the paperwork submitted by the end of the month so that it is submitted in this round of requests. Jim Benoit seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor. The town will take care of the paperwork that must be submitted by the town.

5) Brown Church Counter-Offer

Clark Hinsdale stated that the Benson's had submitted a counter-offer of \$100,000 for purchasing the Brown Church as is. After some discussion Jim Benoit moved to accept the offer of \$100,000, seconded by Chris Campbell. Walter Reed II asked about keeping the chandelier. It was agreed that we keep the chandelier. Motion passed with all in favor.

At 7:13 p.m. Walter Reed II moved to adjourn. Steve Fleming seconded. So moved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pam Cousino