

Minutes of the Charlemont Select board
August 11, 2022
Highway Garage

Present: Dan Girard, Marguerite Willis, Valentine Reid, Scott Sullivan, Bonnie Sullivan, and Sarah Reynolds

The meeting was opened at 6:30 pm by Dan Girard Select board chair.

Marguerite Willis asked Highway superintendent applicant Scott Sullivan if the School Superintendent calls on bad weather days. Mr. Sullivan explained that he does not receive phone calls, but he does have the cell number to a woman at the bus company which is how he communicates to them.

Radio frequencies were briefly discussed and being able to communicate with those to the different departments and folks who need information

Valentine Reid asked if Mr. Sullivan had ever had a situation where he did not have the resources to complete something that needed to be done. Mr. Sullivan explained that during Irene he realized he had not enough resources for what needed to be done, his answer was to call in help from Davenports in Greenfield and the National Guard.

Marguerite Willis commented that people will “rag on you for managing, the town has good employees and liaisons who are there to help and the selectboard will have your back.” Mr. Sullivan explained he was used to that.

On a motion by Valentine Reid and second by Marguerite Willis it was voted unanimously to hire Mr. Sullivan for the position of highway superintendent.

Marguerite Willis left the meeting at 6:45 pm

Discussion continued about emergency weather situations, making an actionable list for what can be done to help in the emergency, for example Mr. Sullivan mentioned he had residents help take photos of the damage after Irene.

It was then discussed as to when Mr. Sullivan would start, he plans on giving his two-week notice. So, it was decided two weeks from Monday August 15, 2022, unless the board hears otherwise.

On a motion by Dan Girard and Second by Valentine Reid the meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm