



TOWN OF TOWNSHEND

Selectboard

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Selectboard Meeting Agenda

April 15 2023 6:00 PM

Townshend Town Hall

Approved: 4/23/24

Present: Alene Evans, Nick Suarez, Katie Marrow, Sherwood Lake, Kate Jansak-Alley

In Attendance: Jeremy Zumbruski, Connie Holt

1. Evans calls the meeting to order at 6:03pm.
2. **Grader:** Zumbruski updates the Selectboard on the status of the grader. The grader went down on Monday (today). Mechanic has been out to look at it and thinks it is not a major repair. The mechanic is hoping it is just replacing the turbo which he will replace on Tuesday. Will know more tomorrow,

Zumbruski requests the authority to rent a grader tomorrow if the town grader is not up and running, Evans asks if he knows what the cost is of the turbo replacement and the rental. Zumbruski says he does not know what the turbo replacement will be. Zumbruski states that he has a local contractor who has a grader for a short-term rental at \$5,000 per month.

Suarez asks how long is the rental available. Zumbruski answers that it is available for a couple of months if need be. Lake asks at what point it becomes cost ineffective to repair the grader. Zumbruski states that if the motor needs to be replaced we could be looking at \$40,000 to \$50,000. Zumbruski states that he has contacted John Deere and they have a grader to purchase, lease, or rent. It is a \$400,000 grader, and it can be rented at \$10,500 per month.

Marrow suggests that the town rent the short-term grader from the local contractor then do some research for the 4/23/24 Selectboard meeting. Evans suggests that the selectboard repair the turbo and give Zumbruski the authority to rent.

Suarez makes a motion to authorize Zumbruski to pay for the repair of the turbo on the grader and to authorize him to rent a grader at \$5,000 a month if needed. Marrow second the motion. Suarez amends his motion to give Zumbruski up to \$10,000 for the repair. Marrow seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0.

3. Marrow makes a motion to adjourn. Suarez seconds the motion. Motion carries 5-0-0.
The meeting is adjourned at 6:24pm.