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Tuesday, January 12, 2021

Attendance: Paul Colwell, Nick Santangelo, Jason Neville, Gloria Dyer, Justine Perkins, Casey Tarbox, Peter Washington, Andrea Silva, Wade Andrews, Cheryl Cause, Joe Ianzzo

- 6:00 - Call to Order by Chair, Shelly Gobeille
- Open meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

NEW BUSINESS

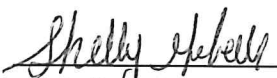
- Fire- Chief Jason Neville- Fire will be keeping budgets the same across the board. SCBA's \$10,000; Fire Truck Fund \$50,000; Fire Operating budget \$34,500; Dispatch last year \$18,600. They received a Forestry grant with \$2,000 in matching fund- they were able to purchase floating suits. Ken asked about the railing and Jason said they would get it done- just 4 or 5 balusters. Shelly wanted Fire and Rescue to check on the Building account fund which has \$19,900 in it and 2 CDs @ \$17,900 and \$27,000- this is in addition to the fire department checking. Fire and Rescue will check with the Treasurer, Linda. Board extended appreciation for the work done through this whole year and COVID.
- Rescue- Chief Nick Santangelo- Budget requests are staying the same. Rescue Fund \$15,000; Rescue operating budget \$22,000; Rescue Staffing \$61,630. The vehicle maintenance included airlines on the ambulance, 5 new tires, and some electrical issues with the squad truck. Rescue has two employees/per diem that are going to school. Rescue is looking at charging for intercepts but still has some things to work out with Parsonsfield/Sacopec. Jannah and Andrew are attending school which rescue is paying for a portion of. Nichole asked if there was a policy/signed agreement that employee must remain at Newfield Rescue for a certain period after school is paid for. Nick indicated not at this time. They had 10 open shifts but with the new scheduler have only 1-2 open. Pay- EMT \$16/hr., Advance \$17/hr. and medic is \$19/hr.
- Planning Board- Chairperson Gloria Dyer- requesting \$4,895 for the operating budget. Most of this is due to the increase in hours and pay for the administrative assistant. Currently Nichole to handling many of the secretarial duties. Discussion on whether legal fees should be in planning board budget or just keep under legal fees line item. Board agrees that it should stay with legal fees. Work on the Comprehensive Plan and Shoreland Zoning done through SMRPDC is requested at \$5,000.
- Road Commissioner- Casey Tarbox- holding budgets. Hot top this year Libby Road (some dig up and re-gravel), Corson Road, Lost Mile Road (some dig up and re-gravel), Garland Road (extension-Doyle's), Hicks Road, and Mountain Road off Shady Nook Road, patch Nutter Lane. Ken asked for an update on the guard rails on Benson/Spring. Casey explained Gorham Fence Company never called him back-he will try again in the Spring. Jim mentioned paving at the Municipal Buildings- PSB on the left side by the doors is settling. Casey explained that if we take money from the roads like we did in the past we just get further behind. Jim agreed- but wasn't sure where a portion came from there in the past and he thinks that work needs to get done.
- Cemetery Commissioner- Peter Washington- he requested \$2700. Board asked about fencing and he mentioned the Carpenter cemetery on Chellis Road. He also mentioned the tree on the Belle Sinclair Cemetery- Nichole mentioned the Belle Sinclair Fund and needs to investigate what it can be used for. Placing of flags for Veterans before Memorial Day- Peter said he would do it for the \$100 that he did last year.
- Animal Control Officer (ACO)- Wade Andrews- He thinks he will need to purchase some new catch poles at \$100 each approximately. He will need to attend 16 hours of training this year- 8 for this coming year and 8 for last year. Shelly made a motion to re-appoint Wade Andrews as ACO for another year. Jim seconded. No discussion. 3 in favor.
- Library- Cheryl Cause- will be holding their budget request at \$3,000.

- Circulation of Petitions. After receiving the petition and having the attorney review it she suggested that the town enact a policy indicating that all petitions submitted comply with the provisions of MRSA 21-A §902 and §903-A. This ensures that the petitioner is witnessing the signatures of voters signing the petition and must verify by oath or affirmation of such. Shelly made a motion to pass the Circulation of Petitions policy. Ken seconded. No discussion. 3 in favor.
- Planning Board Admin Asst.- Nichole, Gloria, Jim and Dan Phelan interviewed Michele Radley and all agree she is a good candidate for the job. Shelly made a motion to accept the hiring of Michele Radley. Jim seconded. Discussion. Gloria mentioned that the Planning Board should probably review and approve first. Shelly withdraws her motion. Planning Board will hold a special meeting via zoom to approve before next BoS meeting. The evaluation process still needs to be worked on.

OLD BUSINESS

- Annual Town Meeting- Line School has been booked. If there is a charge for cleaning the Board asked to see about a waiver. Also wanted to know if there is a curtain in the gym to separate into two rooms thus allowing more people. Nichole to investigate
- Winter Maintenance Contracts- Ken made a motion to table until the next meeting. Shelly seconded. No discussion Vote 3 in favor.

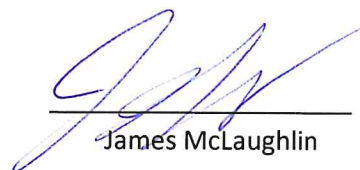
Meeting adjourns 8:34 pm (Ken made motion; Shelly seconded)



Shelly Gobeille



Kenneth Gates



James McLaughlin