



Select Board Minutes
Tuesday, March 23, 2021

ATTENDANCE: Gloria Dyer, Dan Phelan

Absent: Shelly

- 6:00 - Call to Order by Selectman, Ken Gates
- Open meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

NEW BUSINESS

- Board signed warrants, payroll, and appointment certificates from Town Meeting
 - Marion Bryant- Trustee of Charles Hicks Scholarship Fund
 - Joanne Bond- Trustee of the Ethan Stone High School Fund
 - Jeremy Burbank- Finance Committee Member
 - Amanda Parker- Finance Committee Member
 - Justine Perkins- Town Clerk/Tax Collector
 - Nichole Hubbard- Treasurer
- Board would like start meeting quarterly with road commissioner, tax collector/town clerk, Treasurer, Fire, Rescue, Transfer Station attendants, ACO, EMA Finance, CEO/Health Officer.
- Winter roads and municipal buildings plowing contract- contract indicates final "security" payment can be held until April 15th. Nichole's question- would you like it paid for April 1st or April 15th? Ken made a motion to pay the security payment for both plowing contracts for April 1st. Jim seconded. No discussion. Vote 2 in favor.
- Pay for Chris Gimenez for the tech work for town meeting. Nichole needs a figure to pay him. Board would like to know his hourly wage before they decide on a sum.

OLD BUSINESS

- Board received a complaint from an abutter on the Steven's Corner Road (portion that was abandoned). It seems the public easement is being blocked by one of the people plowing their driveway. Board had Nichole draft letters for all abutters on the road to refrain from blocking off the public easement in subsequent years of plowing. Board signed these letters (form letter provided by MMA Roads manual), and they will be mailed.
- The Winter roads plowing contract was sent to the lawyers. Based on the vote at the town referendum the Whitehouse Road will be on the contract went put out to bid. Nichole to send ad for plowing contract to papers.
- Salt and Sand Building. Board will be meeting with Arnold Winn Saturday about driveway entrance and opening up the berm. Nichole to post notice of meeting. Gloria expressed the planning board needing and wanting to be involved.
- Town Hall- septic/leach field- no survey has been done and Jim recalls holding off for a survey to be completed.
- Heat system at Town Hall. Jim suggested holding off on a refill to the oil tank because it is below half so it will be about empty when we replace. Jim met with both JP Carroll and Champagne Energy about a propane system. Jim has had more dealings with JP Carroll and has never had any issues. Champagne did not provide a price for us to purchase a tank. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.
- Bridge repair at Chellis Brook Bridge (Willowbrook). Mention of Charles Pelegrino and Dan Phelan mentioned someone he would send the info by email to Nichole.
- Nichole contacted Ed Moulton to inform him the tree over Shady Nook was taken care of last week.
- Board still waiting to touch base with electrician regarding efficiency Maine rebates/grants for heat pumps and light upgrades.
- Board would like the public safety building railing added to the agenda and to stay on until completed. Nichole will add to agenda.
- Guard rail- Spring/Benson Road. Ken to ask Casey for an update.

- One of the MSW compactors is “acting up”. Board suggested scheduling the PM’s for all compactors when the repair is taking place to save on travel pay. Nichole contacted and they will be coming out Friday.
- Gloria expressed needing to get fees in place now that the changes were approved at town meeting. Board would like to have input from Norm. A public Hearing will also need to be held to finalize the process.
- Gloria mentioned that the Planning Board is in need of space to keep their office supplies equipment locked up and safe. A closet was mentioned and maybe an entertainment center that locks. Board asked this be added to the agenda.

Looking to get involved.....

- Workshops every other Tuesday that the Selectmen’s meeting is not held- will be used to
 1. Revise (1) Plowing Contract for the Municipal Buildings
 2. Work on Town Policies
 3. Work on Employee Evaluation Process and Forms

- Completed at previous workshops
 - ✓ Revise (1) plow contract for Winter roads

Next Workshop Tuesday, 3/30/2021 at 6:00pm at the Town Hall

- Looking for (1) Planning Board Member (Alternate), (1) Appeals Board Member, (2) Appeals Board Alternates, (1) Representative to SRCC and (1) Representative to SMRPDC


Meeting adjourns 7:09 pm (Ken made motion; Jim seconded)



 Shelly Gobeille



 Kenneth Gates



 James McLaughlin