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REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SELECTBOARD & WATER COMMISSION
Temporary Town Office (86 Mountain Road)
Monday, March 6th 2017, 6:30pm

Selectboard members present: Charlie Hancock-chairman, Scott Perry-vice chair, Mark Brouillette (arrived at 6:41pm), Sarah Silva, Colin Sorenson

Visitors: Michael Snider, Sue Wilson, Karie Quintin

Clerk: Elizabeth Reighley

Charlie called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1. Review and make any changes to the agenda. None.

2. Review/approve minutes of February 20th. Scott motioned to approve the minutes seconded by Colin and the motion passed 3-0-1 abstention with the following amendment:

Paragraph 7, Item A: "Scott motioned to move forward with working with RCIS to do office/network updates in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 pending they receive the updated quote prior to town meeting, this was seconded by Mark, and passed by a roll call vote of Charlie-yea, Mark-yea, Scott-yea, Colin-nay."

3. Public Works

a. Roads and Bridges

Grants Status Updates:

Amended Paving Grant Carry over

Structures Grant for Route 58. Carry over

Better Back Roads Bridge and Culvert Grant. Mark has submitted the paperwork for Better Back Roads and will be working with Regional Planning. We will find out whether the Town will be awarded funds in June.

USFS Culvert Grant for AOP design. Michael noted that there is a mandatory erosion control inventory that must be done in order to obtain the culvert grant. The erosion control focuses mainly on ditching and drainage methods.

Longley Bridge Update/Easement. Michael updated the board on the covered bridge preconstruction meeting. Equipment for the Longley bridge repair has been brought in and the temporary bridge will be partially used on Brady Road until the failing culvert can be fixed. Mark and Charlie will coordinate setting up a time to meet with the Longley's to discuss the easement, thereafter Charlie will draft an agreement that the board and Longley's could sign to show record of any changes made.

Fuller Bridge Repairs. Carry over

Brady Road update. Carry over

Insurance for Covered Bridges. Carry over

b. Buildings and Grounds

Generators. All have been serviced and everything went well; the next steps will be setting up a test run at the school preferably during a school vacation.

VEC Power Monitoring at PSB. Deanna spoke with VEC and the results of the monitoring came back with the all clear, nothing appears to be causing further issue with the electricals in the building or issues with the office.

c. Costs for Fuel. The board reviewed the bids from Jack Corse, Blouin Bros., and Fred's Propane. Members discussed the difference in fixed costs, yearly contracts, and whether these companies would charge any penalties if we are over/or under the contracted gallon amounts. Charlie and Michael indicated they will setup a meeting with Blouin Bros. to discuss a potential contract in further detail.

4. Visitors (7:00pm). No comments.

5. Water Commission Issues. Charlie presented the board with the draft letter to residents regarding the rate change. Mark motioned to approve as written, seconded by Colin, this was passed unanimously. The letters will be sent out to all residents on the water systems during the next bill cycle. Mark noted that there is a reservoir sensor on 242 that has broken Kirk is obtaining a quote for repairs. Board members discussed the issues with the automated system that Kirk is experiencing; Scott met with Kirk to talk about potentially getting a new system or phone application that would allow the operators to monitor the system remotely; for example this would allow them to check in during an alarm occurrence and be able to assess how serious the issue is without having to drive to the plant. Kirk will put together more details and obtain quotes to bring back to the board.

6. Emergency Management: Hazard Mitigation Plan progress report (draft review). Shaun Coleman has all of the edits that were submitted and is currently working on completing the draft plan that will be sent back to the board for final approval and sign-off.

7. Town Office Needs; Main Street Repairs; Next Steps

a. Action on amended server quote for Town Office. The revised quote was sent in by RCIS and reviewed by the board. Scott motioned to approve server upgrades and authorize Charlie to sign the paperwork away from the table with the amendment to the 'price not to exceed' from \$10,000 down to \$8,000 and that this work order be contingent upon the budget passing at town meeting. Mark seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

8. Town Meeting Prep. Charlie indicated that he left out a Planning Commission member's seat that is up for reappointment by mistake on the warning, and therefore they cannot technically vote to fill this because it was not properly warned. The options would be to have the selectboard leave the appointment in place until next town meeting under the rule of 'failure to elect' or ask the voters to hold a special election warned on a separate day. All agreed it would make the most sense to have the townspeople vote by a show of hands on which option they want to proceed with.

9. Old Business

a. Stanion Court Case Status. Carry over.

10. New Business

a. Overweight Truck Permits: Mark motioned to approve the truck permits for Bourne's, Arthur Davis, & Jack Corse seconded by Sarah and passed unanimously.

b. Liquor/Tobacco Licenses: Scott motioned to approve the liquor license for Big Jay

Tavern seconded by Mark and passed 4-0-1 refusal. Mark motioned to approve the licenses for The Belfry, The Sticks Country Store, and Bernies seconded by Colin, and passed unanimously.

c. Driveway Permit: Scott motioned to approve the driveway permit for Daniel Decker, seconded by Sarah and approved unanimously.

10. Open Mail / Sign Orders / Administrative Matters. All orders were signed at this time. Charlie indicated that there have been changes in statutes regarding sub-contractors that work for the town and workman's comp, there are restrictions on contractors filing hold harmless agreement. He will be in touch with Deanna to find out more details and how this affects those that town sub-contracts with for services and whether there will need to be certain contractors processed under the payroll system versus accounts payable.

Scott motioned to end the meeting, seconded by Sarah, and the board adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Elizabeth Reighley