Select Board Meeting

February 19, 2020

6:04 pm meeting called to order.

Select Board members present: Mike Bedini, Ericka Oleson, and Neil Oleson.

Select board members absent: None

Others present: Christine Dobbert, Jim White, Cindy Bosley, Ron Bosley, Mike Gleason, Ron White, Jacob White, Doug Miller and Vicki Winchell. Attending at the end of the meeting were Kyle Kyczinski, Eric Vasquez, Kendall Bell and Amber Brooks.

Mike made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2/5/20 meeting. Ericka seconded. Unanimous.

Mike Gleason, Fire Chief, Florida Fire Department:

* Updated the Selectmen regarding the building of a new firehouse. He was informed that they will need a fire suppression system in the new building. Quotes will be solicited.
* There is also a question regarding the payment of prevailing wages. Neil will call to inquire regarding the rules of prevailing wage for town work.
* Inquired about further researching a town wide radio system. There’s a possibility to install a repeater on the tower on Spruce Hill on the wind mill. This would be a system to be used by the towns Highway Department, Fire Department and potentially the Snow Mobile club as all organizations work well together in an emergency. FD and Highway Departments would continue using their current radios and the Snow Mobile club would purchase their own radios. The system would allow for a private radio frequency all could use for an emergency. Early estimates run approximately $10,000. The Selectmen are in favor of further researching this project. Mike Bedini advised Mike Gleason to investigate the complete costs and come back to the Selectmen with the information.
* Mike Bedini inquired as to the next step in the process of finding a price for new Fire Dept. building. Neil stated he will contact RIBCO for ball park quotes. An RFP will need to be done.

Selectmen:

* Selectmen signed a Failure to Renew liquor license for Whitcomb Summit. The business was originally issued a provisional liquor license however they failed to follow through on the steps needed.
* Donna Estes, Wanda McNary, Pam White and Stephanie Pare were appointed to the Finance Committee to a term ending June 30, 2021. Mike motioned to appoint. Ericka seconded. Unanimous.
* Letter of resignation was accepted for Rose Rathbun, Library Trustee.
* Business licenses approved for RGA Auto Repair and Poet Seat Water. Ericka motioned to approve. Mike seconded. Unanimous.
* Presidential primary warrant from Town Clerk signed by Selectmen.

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Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator:

* Tax bills going out February 20, 2020. They will be for the full tax year.
* Street listing has been completed
* Christine completed a Serv Safe class.
* Currently still working on the FY21 budget figures.
* MIIA meeting to be held at school
* Christine to be out Thursday and Friday (February 20 & 21, 2020). One of the days is makeup for working Presidents Day. Also out on Friday, February 28, 2020 using a vacation day.
* Solar Tech has contacted Christine. Meeting to be held on February 27, 2020 to discuss what they have to offer the town.

Jim White, Highway Supervisor:

* Update on trucks
* Called CRW regarding Paver. They felt it depended on how many hours it been used to find a true value, however they estimate it could be high teens to low 20 thousand. Bill, Highway Superintendent in Savoy, is ok with putting money into it to get it running so as they could borrow it. He did not say yet if he’s still interested in purchasing it.
* Air compressor fixed
* Roof on salt shed in need of repairs. It was hit by the loader bucket. It should only entail a few hours work in the summer.

Misc.:

* Broadband update – as of the date of this meeting eight houses were hooked up on Tilda Hill Road. Some experienced outages due to bad routers. The routers were quickly replaced by the company and all was working well.
* LED street lighting is almost complete.

Selectmen met with highway personnel and representatives from ULE CWA regarding highway department contacts.

7:39 p.m. Ericka motioned to adjourn meeting. Mike seconded. Unanimous.