Select Board Meeting

March 3, 2021

6:01 pm meeting called to order by Neil Oleson.

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

Select board members absent: None

Others present: Jim White, Christine Dobbert, Vicki Winchell, Seth Bean

Ericka Oleson made a motion to approve the minutes from the 2/17/21 meeting. Mike Bedini seconded. Unanimous.

Selectmen:

* Ericka Oleson made a motion to approve Business Licenses for Peter Arigoni d/b/a/ Little Brook Builders; Roger Arigoni d/b/a RJA Auto Repair; Daniel D. Dobbert d/b/a Dobbert Recycling. Mike Bedini seconded. Unanimous.
* Line of credit has increased by $1585.00 for windmills. The line of credit is kept in order for the windmills to dismantle if they should need to pull out.
* Christine presented the board with a letter from KP Law stating although they represent the Town of Florida, they are also representing the Town of Heath in a pole hearing. KP Law is notifying the town of this information because they feel it will be acceptable to allow both parties at the same time as there will be no conflict of interest. This particular pole has no affect for Florida.
  + Ericka Oleson made a motion to sign a waiver allowing KP Law to represent the town of Heath in a Pole Hearing. Mike Bedini seconded. Unanimous.
* A proposal was received from Tony Arigoni in the amount of $4390.00 to replace three side, small, garage doors and frames.
* Seth Bean, Assessor, attended tonight’s meeting to suggest to the Selectboard the idea of hiring an Assistant Assessor or Principal Assessor for approximately $11,000.00 per year as a .2 FTE position working approximately 8 hours per week. The cost for this position would be in place of using Patriot Properties. The Assessor position requires more time than a volunteer staff can currently handle. Seth felt Patriot Properties wasn’t doing all that was needed.
  + Neil asked if the person would be doing evaluations to which Seth replied Yes.
  + Christine asked what did Patriot do wrong to make you unhappy with their service? Seth replied although Patriot had confirmed the data had been uploaded and complete, when he went to double check the information, he found several errors that needed to be corrected. There was a lot of confusion and cleanup that needed to be done. Seth did not contact Patriot Properties at that time to inform them of their errors. Neil suggests notifying Patriot Properties to discuss with them what work was not complete and possibly withholding some of their final payment. Ericka also recommended contacting them to try to work with a different representative and that perhaps that could help in some areas.
  + Ericka asked Seth to make a list of job duties needed for hiring and email the information to Christine.

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Selectmen (Continued):

* + Seth asked if someone were hired who would that person report to? The board replied the person would report to the Assessors but also be held accountable to the Town Administrator and the Selectboard. They would also be expected to attend the Assessor’s meetings and attend Assessor Training.

Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator:

* Working on budgets
* Working on Town Clerk duties in Lisa’s absence
* Caucus scheduled for Friday, March 12, 2021 at 7 pm. It was posted to be held at the Town Hall but instead will be held at the Senior Center so there is more room for social distancing.

Jim White, Highway Department Supervisor:

* The crew has been working at plowing, pushing back snow, and dealing with ice.
* Washing and checking the trucks over
* Ordering sand and salt
* Working on a spare plow for Truck #6.
* Mike asked if the compactor containers are going to continue to be higher than the past containers as the stairs are to short for these containers making it difficult for some residents to throw their items in. Jim is unsure of the heights. He has requested a quote from Dwayne Mundy to replace a current set of aging stairs that is 20 years old. Mike suggested asking about 2 sets of fiberglass stairs of different heights for when the container heights change. Jim will take care of it.

6:38 pm Mike Bedini made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ericka Oleson seconded. Unanimous.

6:45 pm Mike Bedini made a motion to reopen the meeting. Ericka Oleson seconded. Unanimous.

Selectmen:

* Christine informed the board that there is an issue with a WiValley pole placed on Steve Brayman’s property. Mr. Brayman claims he was not notified of a pole hearing when it was held to discuss this pole. He is not happy with the placement of the pole. WiValley offered Mr. Brayman $1,000.00 to allow them to keep the pole in place vs moving it. Mr. Brayman requested $2,000.00 to which WiValley declined and will move the pole.
  + Ericka Oleson made a motion to offer Steve Brayman $1,000.00 to match WiValley’s $1,000.00 to make an easement on the edge of his property where the pole currently is thus allowing for the pole to remain in place. Mike Bedini seconded. Unanimous.

6:48 pm Ericka Oleson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mike Bedini seconded. Unanimous.