

MINUTES *approved minutes*

Board of Selectmen Meeting: February 19, 2018

Present: Frank Emig, Jim Jennison, Brenda Melius, Conan Cook, Rob DeValk, Jennifer Bland, Ken Christie, Linda Christie

Open meeting: 7:00PM, FE

Approve minutes: BOS meeting and nonpublic February 5, 2018, Motion JJ/FE to approve, passed.

Sign bill manifest: Motion JJ/FE to approve, passed.

Sign payroll manifest: Motion FE/JJ to approve, passed.

Recognition of Visitors/Public Input:

1. Gary Baber, AVFR: GB noted the Company's certification plan is in progress and that additional coverage particularly by Alstead and Unity is in place. He also noted that the Company supports forming a study group to research moving to a municipal department over a 2-3 year period. He inquired whether the Company could hold meetings in the Town offices and there was consensus that would could be done.
2. Jennifer Bland and Ken and Linda Christie presented a plan for improvements to the Veteran Memorial at the flagpole permission for which is requested in a warrant article for Town Meeting. The committee working on the plan is seeking outside funding.

Highway Department Report:

1. Work update/plan: Ed Babneau noted considerable crew time spent on recent ice and snow storms and that equipment maintenance is ongoing.
2. EB addressed recent discussion about failed culverts on the Charlestown Road. There was discussion as to the value of replacing the culverts rather than shimming the surface with consensus to replace the culverts. BM asked whether the section of road to be worked on could be ground with consensus in agreement.

Transfer Station Report:

1. Fee schedule review: Revisit

ConCom Report: Bobcat presentation February 25, Green up Day April 21

PB Report: Next meeting February 26

Action items:

1. Building permits: DelNegro demo/rebuild, Thayer Brook Road; Motion FE/JJ to approve, passed. It was noted this was not referred to the Planning Board as it is not new development.
2. Intents to Cut: None
3. Compliance: Connecticut Heights Road cleanup pending eviction.
4. Town Meeting Warrant: Motion FE/JJ to sign for posting, passed. It was also noted that Selectmen amended their budget following the budget public hearing by consensus. Amendments included adjusting the appropriation for fire to accommodate a changed request by AVFR, adjusting the Solid Waste appropriation to accommodate newly discovered compliance needs, and adjusting the funding source for the deposit to the Bridge capital reserve fund to reduce the amount to be raised from taxation. Motion JJ/FE to formalize amendments made to the Selectmen's budget bringing it into agreement with the Budget Committee budget, passed.
5. AVFR annual contract review: There was discussion without consensus as to whether to enter a new contract before the Fire Marshall's certification compliance deadline of April 2. There was consensus that a renewal contract include a clause requesting a personnel roster and details of any service backup arrangements made.

Discussion: None

Other items:

1. Nonpublic per RSA 91-A:3.II b: Motion FE/JJ to move to nonpublic session, passed: FE, JJ, 8:20PM. Returned to public session 8:25PM.

Meeting adjourned: 8:25PM; Respectfully, Kathi Bradt.