

# **MINUTES** *approved minutes*

**Board of Selectmen Meeting:** February 18, 2019

**Present:** Frank Emig, Jim Jennison, Earl Kathan, Glenn Elsesser, Scott Sanchas, Kathy Kathan, Albert St. Pierre, Shawn Larson, Glnyth Hart (Eagle Times)

**Open meeting:** 7:00PM, FE. **Approve minutes:** BOS meetings February 4, Motion JJ/FE to approve, passed.

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

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

## **Recognition of Visitors/Public Input:**

1. Albert St. Pierre described the Charlestown Selectmen's effort to place an article on the school warrant funding a study under RSA 195. He noted that their intent is to clarify discrepancies they have found in the district's budget numbers although the RSA also addresses the process of member withdrawal from districts. He noted the article began as a request for \$30,000 and has increased to \$150,000 which is the anticipated cost for a consultant for 180 days of work. He noted support from other district select boards and hoped Acworth would support the study as well. FE disagreed with the notion this was not primarily purposed to address withdrawal and said he would relay to full board when chair returns.
2. Shawn Larson questioned highway department winter maintenance including lack of chains on recently damaged 5500 and "skimping" on sand for roads and public use. EK responded chains were not in use during snow plowing and that sand and salt are used appropriate to conditions. The discussion and intervention by the chair became heated. FE concluded the roads are sanded, public sand is available and expressed confidence in the department's work.

## **Highway Department Report:**

1. Work update/plan: EK noted winter maintenance including repairs to each truck, installation of school zone signs and installation on battery disconnect devices per our insurance carrier recommendation.
2. GE noted need to begin planning for 2019 road projects to secure contractor scheduling.

## **Transfer Station Report:**

1. Operations normal.

**ConCom Report:** Next meeting March 13

**PB Report:** Next meeting February 25.

## **Action items:**

1. Building permits: Butson demo/rebuild, Grange Hall Road, subcontractor information provided. Motion JJ/FE to approve, passed.
2. Intents to Cut: None.
3. Compliance: Relihan in progress.
4. Warrant: Signed for posting.
5. DRA MS-60A: Motion JJ/FE to sign, passed.

## **Other items:**

1. Nonpublic: Motion FE/JJ to move to nonpublic per RSA 91-A: 3IIa, b, passed: FE, JJ, 7:40PM. Returned to public session 8:00PM.
2. Next meeting March 4.

**Meeting adjourned:** 8:00PM; Respectfully, Kathi Bradt.