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Selectmen's Public Meeting 5:00 pm
Town Office

February 20, 2020

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Poirier, Selectmen Farnum, Mason, Ricker, and Streeter, Police Chief Littlefield, Fire Chief Colcord, Jim Bowles, Road Agent Roberts, EDC Chairman Farley, Friends of the Town House: Madeline Siniscalchi, Linda Cook, Casslyn Cook, Members of Recycling Committee, Finance Officer Estabrook, Bob Durfee from DuBois & King and several members of the public.

> CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Poirier opened the meeting at 5:00 pm.

> NON-PUBLIC PER RSA 91-A:3 II (c):

> Motion made by Chairman Poirier at 5:01 pm to enter a non-public session under RSA 91 A:3 II (c). Motion seconded by Selectman Mason and passed by roll call vote. Poirier Y, Farnum Y, Mason Y, Ricker Y, Streeter Y.

> Motion made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to reopen the regular session at 5:53 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

> Chairman Poirier made a motion to seal the minutes of the previous meeting as it could affect a reputation. The motion was seconded by Selectman Mason and passed by roll call vote. Poirier Y, Farnum Y, Mason Y, Ricker Y, Streeter Y.

> Road Agent Update:

> Road Agent Roberts and Mr. Durfee from DuBois and King were there to discuss the bridge on Bunker Hill. Mr. Durfee presented the Bid Summary Sheet which included three bids. The lowest bid was \$542,617.00. All the math will be rechecked to make sure that is correct. Mr. Durfee will send a memo to Road Agent Roberts. On Warrant Article 18 there should be a 10% contingency built into the amount but what is going forward to the voters is an 8.5% contingency which Road Agent Roberts said should be good. A Summary Budget Recommendation will be sent next week with a bid tabulation. Mr Durfee will be back on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at the 5:00 pm Selectmen work session.

> Fire and Rescue Update:

> Fire Chief Colcord presented the January, 2020 statistics. He also provided the dates for the Local Emergency Operation Plan (LEOP).

> Police Department:

> Chief Littlefield presented statistics. He is looking into a grant for post mounted speed limit displays. Brackets would be permanently mounted to fixed signs that state what the speed limit is. It would also track the number of vehicles going by that particular spot. He is going to apply to the Tamworth Foundation. It will be \$4300 and we would have to buy the brackets. More brackets would be purchased in the future. The Board of Selectmen have to sign the grant application. He is also looking into a grant for a generator for the Highway Department. It would be a 50/50 split.

> Linda is working to digitize all paperwork at the Police Department as much as possible. (Reporting Software)

> Chief Littlefield also gave a public reminder about being alert for scams going on. There have been a couple of significant ones reported.

> Highway Department:

> Road Agent Roberts asked the public to have patience with the road crews as they are attempting to get all the banks pushed back. They are also getting ready for Spring. They thanked the Police Department for helping out.

> Transfer Station:

> Glenn informed the Board that the can crusher is down but he's ordered parts for it.

> Economic Development Committee:

> Pat Farley reported that the Committee met last week. There was discussion around possible grants for Broadband. The Wet Paint event will be April 27 - May 3. The next meeting has been changed from March 10 to March 4, 6:00 pm, at the Chocorua Community Church.

> Friends of the Town House:

> This Saturday there will be a Handcrafters craft fair from 10:00 - 2:00. At that event there will also be other materials available about other events going on at the Town House.

> APPOINTMENTS:

> Recycling Project. Beth McCarthy stated that they are applying for a grant from the Tamworth Foundation in the amount of \$775 for a truck to come for one day and pick up all the paper that has been shredded. This truck will be split with Sandwich. A paper shredder will be rented. Selectman Farnum made a motion to sign the grant request in the amount of \$775 made to the Tamworth Foundation. Chairman Poirier seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

> PUBLIC COMMENT:

> Chris Bernon asked for clarification on the Fourth of July fireworks display. There will not be fireworks this year on the 4th because the Recreation Director did not coordinate them in time to find anyone to set them off. Mr. Bernon was disappointed to hear this and said that the music he had arranged for that evening at the Brett School will also need to be cancelled because without fireworks people wouldn't be coming. There was a discussion held that perhaps fireworks could be done at a different time in coordination with a different event in Tamworth. More discussion will follow.

> SIGNATURE FILE:

> Selectmen's minutes for February 6, 2020: Chairman Poirier made a motion to accept and seconded by Selectman Mason. The vote was 4 Y and 1 abstain to approve.

> Selectmen's minutes for February 18, 2020: Chairman Poirier made a motion to accept and seconded by Selectman Mason. The vote to approve was unanimous.

> Selectmen's minutes for Non-Public meeting for 2/6/2020: Motion was made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to seal the minutes from Session #2 and #3. The vote was unanimous to seal them.

> Selectmen's minutes for Non-Public meeting for 2/6/2020: Motion was made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to approve the minutes for Sessions #1 and #4. The vote was unanimous to approve.

> Selectmen's Work Session minutes for 2/6/2020: Motion made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to approve the minutes. The vote was 4 Y and 1 Abstain in favor of approving.

> Selectmen's Work Session minutes 2/13/2020: Motion made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to approve the minutes. The vote was unanimous to approve.

> (3) Accounts payable manifest dated February 21, 2020: Motion was made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to approve: Vote was unanimous to approve.

> Payroll Manifest date February 27, 2020: Motion was made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to approve. Vote was unanimous to approve.

> Notice of intent to cut 410-139, 140, and 141: Motion was made by Chairman Poirier and seconded by Selectman Mason to approve. The vote was unanimous to approve.

> MS-636: Selectman Mason had some questions about the ambulance and sewer amounts. Those questions will be researched. Selectman Farnum made a motion and seconded by Selectman Ricker that upon receiving satisfactory answers the MS-636 would be signed on February 21, 2020. The vote was unanimous.

> Chairman Poirier regretfully read a Letter of Resignation from the Finance Officer Estabrook. Chairman Poirier made a motion and seconded by Selectman Mason that the letter be accepted. The vote was unanimous to accept it.

> SELECTMEN'S UPDATE;


- > Selectman Mason:
 - > The Septic Commission met on 2/19/2020. They will be sending out surveys. They cannot set the rates yet and the auditors are coming 2/24/2020. The generator isn't working. Alarms cannot be sent to phones.
 - > Health Officer: co ronavirus
- > Selectman Ricker:
 - > Had a question concerning a 1 acre parcel of land that abuts a landowner. Would the town ever sell it to the landowner? The Board of Selectmen will look at the parcel and make a decision.
- > Administration:
 - > The Boston Cane Proclamation is completed. The date for the ceremony is 2/25/2020 at Mountainview. A notice of a Public Meeting will be posted.
 - > Certified letters have been sent regarding Philbrick Neighborhood Road regarding the vote at town meeting.
 - > Admin has been working with Winnepesaukee Drug Consortium services regarding the Clearinghouses and other updates to the DOT drug testing changes.
 - > Admin has asked Christine Filmore to write a social media policy and a drug police. While she is out, Anna and Keriane will be working on these items.
 - > Question posed: has anyone looked at the property that Mrs. Miles wants to gift to the town? Turkey Street Map 215-126-000. At this time that area is frozen over so the Board of Selectmen will look at it when they are able to.
 - > RSAs for "Highways to Summer Cottages" were included in Selectmen's materials.
- > OLD BUSINESS:
 - > Pending
- > PUBLIC COMMENT:
 - > Artie Mason had some questions concerning the septic system and why there isn't an automatic start? There was some discussion around the septic system.
- > The following meetings will be posted:
 - > Public Meeting at 10:00, February 25, 2020 at Mountain View Nursing Home
 - > Non-Public Meeting, 12:00, February 26, 2020 at the Town Office
 - > Selectmen's Public Meeting, 5:00, February 27, 2020 at the Town Office
- > ADJOURNMENT:
 - > Selectman Mason made a motion seconded by Chairman Poirier to adjourn the meeting at 7:26. Passed unanimously and meeting adjourned.

Submitted Respectfully,


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Peggy Poirier

Approved by the Board of Selectmen:




Daniel J. Poirier

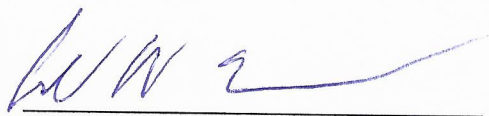


Rebecca Mason

Aaron Ricker



Melanie Streeter



William W. Farnum