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Selectmen's Meeting
Town Office

Thursday, December 14, 2017

MINUTES

Present: Chairman Hidden, Selectmen Gray and Poirier, Fire Chief Colcord, Recreation Director Roberts, Police Chief Littlefield, Road Agent Roberts, EDC Chairman Farley, School Board Members Jack Waldron and Kathy Padgett, Library Trustees Anne, Skip Nason, Evan, Library Director Mary Cronin, Bruno Siniscalchi, Town Administrator McWhirter and videographer from Governmentoversite.com

- I. CALL TO ORDER: At 6:05 Chairman Hidden called the meeting to order.

- II. DEPARTMENTS & COMMITTEES:
 - Fire
 - Fire Chief Colcord shared that the next Haz-Mat training will be held January 9, 2018 from 1-3pm at the Central Fire Station. The generator at the school is fixed. He also reminded residents that a fire permit is not required at this time, but please use common.
 - Highway
 - Road Agent Roberts stated that clean up during and after the last storm went well. The vendor clearing the sidewalks in Chocorua did an excellent job. He would like to remind residents that it is a violation to put snow back in the road.
 - Recreation
 - Recreation Director Roberts reported that basketball season is underway. Adult programs are continuing. A number of residents attended the Magic of Christmas Concert in Portland, ME.
 - Police
 - Chief Littlefield reported business as usual. There were a few accidents during the latest snow storm. Upgrading the software to coordinate with the Sherriff's office is still moving forward. He shared a picture of the new graphics for the cruisers.
 - Administration
 - Selectman Gray made a motion to purchase/replace both furnaces at a cost of \$6,300. The motion was seconded by Chairman Hidden and passed unanimously.
 - Chris Clyne is resigning as the Welfare Director. The board will take some time to decide what to do moving forward. Town Administrator will handle any cases for the time being.

- Economic Development Commission
 - Chairman Farley cancelled the December EDC meeting and rescheduled to January 9, 2018. The first Tech Forum class on Facebook is scheduled for January 18, 2018.

III. APPOINTMENTS:

- School Board Chairman Jack Waldron shared why the highway department began plowing the school. Road Agent Roberts does feel it should be the of the towns responsibility. Mr. Waldron then presented two bids that were received by the School board for plowing. The Road Agent and Selectmen still agree to plow the school until December 31, 2017. At which time it will become the responsibility of the School. After looking at cost for the plowing, Road Agent Roberts gave his recommendation. After a little more discussion, Chairman Hidden made a motion that the town will continue to plow the school through the end of 2017 using funds from the highway budget. Beginning 2018 the school will be plowed by an outside vendor and be paid out of the highway budget. The school will then reimburse the town for the plowing for the 2018 season, which will be earmarked for the highway budget.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- 2018 Budget Review
 - 4197.10a Economic Development Commission
 - Advisory Budget Committee was not able to attend tonight's meeting. Chairman Farley stated the ABC is concerned of funding for stipends in the EDC budget.
 - 4550.10 Library Trustees
 - Director Cronin presented an updated 2018 budget. She reported that they have not received any bids for painting. Mary Cronin stated that a few windows should be replaced and Skip Nason stated that an insulation audit will be done for the building.
 - 4220.all Fire Chief
 - Chief Colcord combined the budgets for Fire Department and Rescue Department into one budget. The combining of the departments has been a seamless transition. The ABC recommended that the building and vehicle fuel line be decrease. Chief Colcord has been researching billing companies to bill for ambulance transport costs. He discussed the work he has been doing to reduce the ISO rating for Tamworth. An engineer may need to be hired to complete the project. He did purchase a hose tester for \$3,100.

V. SIGNATURE FILE:

- Chairman Hidden made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's Minutes for November 30 and December 5, 2017. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Hidden made a motion to approve and sign the Selectmen's non-public minutes for November 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

- Chairman Hidden made a motion to approve and sign the Accounts Payable Manifest and Check Register dated December 21, 2017 in the amount of \$302,362.10. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Hidden made a motion to approve and sign a 2017 Supplemental Warrant. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Hidden made a motion to approve and sign the 2017 Equalization Municipal Assessment Date Certificate. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.
- The board approved and signed the following items:
 - 2018 Holiday Schedule
 - Solar Energy Exemption – 415-103-001
 - Veteran’s Credit 401-019-000
 - Release for Building Permit for Private Road – 411-005
 - Administrative Abatements 410-083 & 406-29, 032, 035
 - Intent to Cut 412-32-000 access on Great Hill Road
 - Intent to Cut 414-086-000 access on Cleveland Hill Road

VI. SELECTMEN’S UPDATE:

- Selectman Gray attended the Cook Memorial Library Trustees meeting. The Library Holiday Open House will be held on December 19, 2017. He also attended the Conservation Commission meeting.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Bruno Siniscalchi thanked the board for reaching out the NH DOT regarding the passing are on Rt 16 in front of the Transfer Station.

IX. ADJOURNMENT: At 7:45pm, Chairman Hidden made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Selectman Gray and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene McWhirter
Town Administrator

Approved by the Board of Selectmen

James S. Hidden

Steve G. Gray

Daniel J. Poirier