Town of Colrain Select Board Meeting 55 Main Road/Town Office Building 5:30 P.M.

MINUTES OF AUGUST 27, 2018

Present: Eileen Sauvageau, Mark Thibodeau, Jack Cavolick

Others Present: Kevin Fox-Town Coordinator, Colleen Worden-Office Clerk, Scott Sullivan-Highway Superintendent, Micah Morrison-BSC Group, Michael Slowinski, Jim Ryan, Guy Wheeler, James Hunkler, Jackson McCloud, Liz Sonnenberg.

Eileen Sauvageau opened the meeting at 5:30.

<u>Micah Morrison-BSC Group- Review of Draft Bridge Assessment and Ranking and Update on</u> <u>Bridge Replacement Project (Adamsville Rd. and Call Rd.)</u>

Micah explained that the assessment was for every one of the 33 bridges in town and they were ranked from 1 to 10 with #1 being the worst. Not included in the assessments were the 2 bridges that are in the process of being repaired or rebuilt. Micah stated that the 2 bridges on the Adamsville Rd. over the Sanders brook and the Vincent brook are ranked in the top two for repair or replacement, as the Adamsville Rd. is classified as a rural major collector and has regional importance to both Vermont and Massachusetts. Micah explained that he has been working with Kevin on finding ways to secure grants to help fund these projects, He also explained that the Small Bridge and Mass Works Grants have fully funded the Adamsville Rd. Culvert project over the Tisdale Brook. The Call Rd. Bridge currently has a \$500,000 short fall. Micah informed the Board that a grant was for applied for to help cover the short fall and are waiting to hear if it has been approved.

Full-Time Police Officer Candidate Interview:

James Hunkler was the only applicant for the Full Time Police Officer positon. Police Chief Chris Lannon explained that Jamie has been working on the department for about a year and a half and feels he is a good fit for the department. Chris explained to the Board that Jamie will be attending the full time police academy on October 15th and will be unavailable to work until the academy is completed. Chris informed the Board that Jamie has paid for the academy out of his own pocket and was hoping that the Town would be willing to pay him a salary while he was attending the academy. Kevin advised the Board that before any decisions are made it would be advisable to have Chris do any back ground checks that are necessary and to make his hiring recommendations and bring it back to the next meeting.

Colrain Firefighters Association, Inc. Boot Drive Request:

The Colrain Firefighters Association is asking for the Boards approval to have a boot Drive on October 16th in front of Pine Hill Orchards with an inclement weather date of Sunday October 23. **MOVED:** Jack Cavolick moved to approve the Colrain Firefighters request to have a boot drive on October 15th Eileen Sauvageau seconded. Voted unanimous.

<u>Continued review of Proposed Host Agreement between the Town of Colrain and Atlantic Farms</u> Inc. For the siting of a Recreational Marijuana Establishment:

Discussion-Kevin had a few recommendations for the Board to consider the first being. The address, 123 Main Rd. refers to the Topenzer house not the land to be leased. Kevin will email the Town Attorney with questions and bring the answers to the next meeting. Kevin asked the Board to review the proposed agreement before the next meeting.

Jack Cavolick moved to adjourn the meeting. Meeting closed at 8:12

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted by the Board of Selectmen

Colleen Worden Office Clerk

Eileen Sauvageau-Chairman

Mark Thibodeau

Jack Cavolick

Documents

Bridge Assessment and Ranking Draft

Colrain Fire Association Boot Drive Request

Application for Employment- James Hunkler