Town of Colrain Select Board Select Board Meeting Room Town Offices 55 Main Road 5:30 PM MINUTES OF SELECT BOARD

Present:

Eileen Sauvageau, Chair; Mark Thibodeau; Jack Cavolick

Others Present: Colleen Worden, Office Clerk; Scott Sullivan, Highway Superintendent; Joe Kurland; Patience Lowe; Kevin Fox, Town Coordinator

February 26, 2019

Eileen Sauvageau called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Appointments: Scott Sullivan - Discussion of Highway Dept. Operations and Winter Road Maintenance

Scott attended the meeting to discuss with the Board complaints that were received from Mike Beausoleil at the last meeting regarding road conditions on Nelson and East Colrain roads and the general conditions of winter roads. Mr. Beausoleil complained about a severe mud problem on the roads and the lack of maintenance. He complained that at times his employees were unable to get to work due to the condition of the roads. Scott agreed that there are problems on those roads and has plans to work on the drainage problems in the spring as well as plans to address the poor quality of gravel on the roads. Scott explained that he will be working on a Chapter 90 request to fund these projects.

The Board has asked Scott to prepare an advanced monthly work schedule starting in the month of April for his crew to be reviewed by the Board at the first March meeting.

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Unanticipated: Parking Issues on Church Street

Patience Lowe attended the meeting to discuss parking issues on Church Street. It was decided that the Board would invite Police Chief Lannon to the next meeting on 3/4/2019 to further discuss this issue.

Agricultural Commission Request

Kevin Fox submitted a request from Haynes Turkle to appoint Valerie Finkel to the Agricultural Commission.

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved to appoint Valerie Finkel to the Agricultural Commission. Jack Cavolick seconded. Approved unanimously.

Town Administrator Updates:

Petition to the Commonwealth Housing Court regarding the Pitt House

Kevin has received the petition to the Commonwealth Housing Court regarding the Pitt House for the Board to review. The Board reviewed the petition and asked Kevin to direct Town Counsel to file the petition.

Pay Raise Request

Nate Gilbert of the Highway Department submitted a request for a pay raise. The Board reviewed the request and will discuss at the next meeting. Kevin will check the FRCOG's salary review to get comparable rates for the position.

Annual Town Meeting Warrant

Kevin asked the Board if they would approve setting a closing date for the Annual Meeting Warrant for April 8, 2019.

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved to set a closing date for the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for April 8, 2019. Jack Cavolick seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

MOVED: Mark Thibodeau moved to dissolve the meeting at 6:57 pm. Jack Cavolick seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,	Accepted by the Select Board
Colleen Worden Office Clerk	Eileen Sauvageau - Chair
	Mark Thibodeau
	Jack Cavolick

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Smith

Administrative Assistant

Accepted by the Select Board

Benjamin Eastman - Chair

W. Thomas Griffin

Emily Thurber

Documents:

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