

Town of Colrain
Select Board/MLP Board Meeting
Highway Garage, 9 Jacksonville Road
4:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 11, 2022

Present Thom Griffin, Ben Eastman
Absent Mike Slowinski

Others Present Chris Larabee, Greenfield Recorder; Patience Lowe, Ben Gervaise, Jonathan Lagreze, Mary Parsons, Lydia Robinson, June Ahearn, Jane Johnson, Roger Williams, Kevin Worden, Deputy Fire Chief; Nick Anzuoni, Fire Chief; Betsy Shuipis, Administrative Assistant; Kevin Fox, Town Administrator;

Thom Griffin called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

Appointments **Lydia Robinson – Request for Installation of Mirror on Town Common**
Since the Town Common is still DOT's site, they need to be consulted. The Selectboard suggested Ms. Robinson contact District 1 in Lenox with her request.

Nick Anzuoni, Fire Chief – Request to Transfer Surplus Vehicle to Fire Department; Fire Department Leadership Succession Planning

The new cruiser is on order and is expected to arrive this spring. When the cruiser arrives, Chief Anzuoni would like the town to transfer the vehicle to the Fire Dept. instead of auctioning it off.

New Business **Letter of Acknowledgement and Recognition**
A letter of thanks from a resident to Police Chief Lannon.

Review/Approve New ISP Agreement with Westfield Gas & Electric
An ISP agreement is not ready to review yet.

Sign/Approve for Posting 2022 State Mid-term Election Warrant
The three copies of the Warrant for 2022 State Election were signed and approved by Ben Eastman and Thom Griffin.

Old Business **None**

Unanticipated Business **General Questions regarding Colrain Broadband answered:**
Who oversees the broadband? Who sets the rates? Is there a breakdown of the grant money and general cost of the broadband network? Is there a goal the Selectboard wants to reach before they can lower the residents' fee per month? An explanation of the redundancy system was given. Does the town own all the equipment and the lines? Is the landlord responsible for the equipment in their rental?

Town Administrator Updates
The town received a AA-bond rating to borrow \$1.8 million, instead of the \$2.4 million

anticipated at the start of the project.

Steve Daby accepted the job of Highway Superintendent with a start date of 10/31/22.

MOVED: Thom Griffin moved to dissolve the meeting at 5:24 p.m. Ben Eastman seconded. **Approved unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Accepted by the Select Board

Betsy Shuipis
Administrative Assistant

Michael Slowinski - Chair

W. Thomas Griffin

Benjamin Eastman

Documents

Email from Lydia Robinson to Town Administrator dated September 27, 2022 re: October 11 Selectboard meeting

Email from Colrain fire Chief to Town Administrator dated October 1, 2022 re: town police vehicle

Letter to Chief Lannon from the Town Administrator dated September 27, 2022 re: thank you letter from the Town of Colrain for the good work of our police officers

Letter from Beth Kimball, resident of Colrain, thanking Chief Lannon and Officers Sonn & Dempsey regarding her gratitude for the help, concern and knowledge of the officers that night.

General Law – Part 1, Title VII, chapter 40, Section 4A

Warrant for 2022 State Election