Board of Selectmen Meeting March 23 , 2021 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Chairman Edwards at 6:02 PM

ROLL CALL

Chairman: Russell Edwards – Present Selectman: Joe Marko – Present Selectman: Ian Underwood – Present Staff in attendance: Brianna Aubertin

REVIEW OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Review of minutes from 3/16/2021 meeting. Accepted with minor changes due to typographical errors, no change to content.

AGENDA ITEMS

Vouchers and other standard business that comes before the Board for signature and correspondence from various agencies.

-Animal Control Officer: The animal control officer for Sunapee replied to Chairman Russell Edward's email re: possibility of becoming Croydon Animal Control Officer as well, he denied the offer but offered advice on what to do, and suggested to explore mutual agreements with surrounding towns with their Animal Control Officer.

-Town Member: There was a complaint re: ATV's riding on town roads: Select Board confirmed that signs are posted and roads open up May 23rd. Selectman Joe Marko will post this date at Coniston Store as well.

-Special Weather Statement: There is a high fire danger right now.

-NRRA: Annual conference is May 10th and 11th, chairman Russell Edwards will forward to Selectman Joe Marko.

-Radar Unit: Chief replied to email, and confirmed he would be interested in looking at it and would like to arrange a time to do so.

-Alteration of Terrain Patten: Informing the town that a permit application will be filed with the NH Department of Environmental services with the alteration of terrain permit associated with the project that was completed in the town of Croydon. This information will go to the Planning Board to keep on file. Permits were completed but drainage was different from what was approved (Patten's Property).

-Tax Collector Audit: it is complete, a report was the only thing that was completed.

REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

Attached to document. APPOINTMENTS OLD BUSINESS

Zoom Meetings:

Can be taken off of the agenda due to not needing to organize for future Select Board Meetings.

NEW BUSINESS

NH Municipal HB111:

If bill passes every local official or town employee that have violated some law or some previously unarticulated constitutional right would be the basis for a lawsuit requiring the municipality to pay damages and attorney fees and subject to termination. There is also a constitutional tax cap which limits municipals to no more than a 2% annual raise. Chairman Russell Edwards will forward this information to Selectmen Joe Marko and Ian Underwood.

Landfill Capacity Issues:

There are landfill capacity issues up in Bethlehem where Casella takes town waste currently. They do not know if they will be able to open up new landfill. Chairman Russell Edwards will forward email to Selectmen Joe Marko and Ian Underwood. Save the Forrest Lake are looking for support from municipalities to write letters supporting the opening of new landfill. Casella has to respond by March 5th because this issue can affect town waste options and possibly increase price due to further transportation needed. Chairman Russell Edwards will contact Casella to find out what the latest update is.

OTHER

-Highway Budget: Road Agent is taking the radio out of existing truck however there may be a charge from Cady Communication to install it.

-Interest Rate on Morse House: Chairman Russell Edwards will do some research on what the current interest rate is.

-Chairman Russell Edwards wants to meet with the highway Road Agents to discuss timeline for when they want to start working on warrant articles and expenses. Regarding the paving on Loverin Hill, Chairman Russell Edwards will be getting numbers from banks, but can't get money until a contract is written.

-Health Trust: Chairman Russell Edwards is still looking into information regarding combining town and school for insurance. The town needs to figure out which package they would want.

PUBLIC FORUM

The Chairman confirmed the next Select Board meeting will be held on 4/13/21 at 7PM. He then called the meeting adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Brianna Aubertin

Report from the Chair- 23 March 2021

The contract with Nobis for testing the monitoring wells at the transfer station was signed.

Post-Closure and Annual Usage reports were submitted to DES.

Auditors presented draft report of the audit of the tax collector which was due to change of personnel. Contract was also signed.

I have been working with the road agent to have all the paperwork ready to purchase the new dump truck. Meeting with dealer scheduled for 11:00 24 MAR.

Russell A Edwards Chairman Croydon Select Board