

SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES JULY 17, 2015

Present: Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux, Doug Niles, Bill Hawkins, Mark Castonguay, Joel Cope and Teresa Potwin.

Chairperson, Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux called the meeting to order at 9:06 AM.

Update Agenda: Joel informed the board that the agenda needed to add the following updates: Set tax rate, pre-buying oil, signing of swim request, youth employees, and stump dump.

Tax rate: A motion was made by Doug Niles to set the 2015 tax rate as printed. The homestead education rate for 2015 will be \$1.9696 and the non-residential tax rate for 2015 will be \$2.1009. Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Oil contract: Joel showed the board a copy of a pre-buy agreement from Oil Supply Corp. At this time, the board has decided to hold off as this is a pre-buy amount and the town is not in the habit of doing this. Joel will get more information on this before making a decision on locking in on fuel prices.

Swim letter: The board received a letter from kingdom games requesting that they hold a four-mile swim on Island Pond. A motion was made by Doug Niles to approve the request, Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Stump Dump: Bill Hawkins informed the board that the stump dump is not being used very much and suggested that we cut back on the hours of operation. The board agreed that this would be a good idea, so the new hours of the stump dump will be Saturday only from 10-2. Doug Niles motions to change the hours of operation, Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Public comment: Fire Department discussion was tabled.

EAP: Ellen Bowen from EAP was present to discuss the programs that are available to the town employees. These benefits now also include all elected officials of the town as well as all members of the employees households.

The water department wanted the board to be aware that they would be digging up Dale Ave. to Belleview Ave as well as parts of Fitzgerald Ave. to insulate the pipes. Discussion on who was responsible for paving has come up and the board would like to invite the water board to the next meeting to discuss who is responsible for what.

Read and Approve Minutes: The board read the minutes of the July 1, 2015 minutes. A motion was made by Doug Niles to accept the minutes as printed. Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Buildings and Maintenance: An issue on who is responsible for emptying the park and building recycle containers after Friday Night Live has come up. Discussion on who is responsible, The Town or the Chamber will continue.

It has been recommended that there be no trash bags allowed at Bulky Day. Some people have been bringing stuff down in trash bags, and the attendants do not know if this is Bulky Day items or household trash. Doug Niles motions to not allow trash bags to be brought down to Bulky Day anymore. Melinda Gervais-Lamoureux seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Melinda informed the board that the old boiler is now out of the basement of the Town Hall and we are now ready to bring in the crusher run and get it prepped for Mike Green. Melinda will try to contact Mike Green and have him come down and look at this in order to give direction on where and how much crusher run will be needed.

The elevator is working, as long as there is weight in it. A weight has been ordered and as soon as it is ready, Ray will install it.

Roads: There is no update on the Pleasant Street traffic. Melinda did ask Mark if he could put up a couple of "bump" signs near the culverts going down Lakeshore Drive by the Kinney property. Mark informed Melinda that his crew had put them up.

Mark informed the board that the crew has the new truck and it is going well. Also, Mark informed the board that Pierre is interested in the old York rake at the town garage. The town no longer uses this and Pierre is willing to trade the rake for sta-mat. Mark will work out the deal with Pierre.

Joel informed the board that he has been in contact with energy efficiency regarding the new LED street light project.

The RT. 114 paving letter was a success, it will be getting paved.

The board discussed the fact that the town does not have a riding lawn mower. The board has decided that the town should purchase a riding lawn mower. This will save use on the tractor.

Personnel: The board reviewed the timesheets.

Personnel policy was tabled.

Recycling center: The school board cancelled their meeting for July, but this issue of a fence will be discussed at the August meeting.

Pay orders: The board signed the general pay order and the road pay order for July.

Budget report: The board reviewed.

Other business: None.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.