

## SELECTBOARD MEETING

October 2, 2019

**Present:** Michael Strait; Jeanne Gervais; Heather McElroy; Mark Castonguay; Ray Fontaine; Gloria Bruce and Lisa Moore

Michael Strait called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**Update Agenda:** Sign overweight permits

**Public Comment:** Gloria Bruce, from the U.S. Department of Commerce/Census Bureau spoke about the upcoming Decennial Census which only happens every 10 years. The Census Bureau would like the Town to partnership with them in their efforts to inform our residents of this upcoming event and raise awareness by placing posters, having a possible job fair, sharing information at our Town Meeting and asking the Library to assist people with filling the Census out online. Gloria emphasized the importance of people filling out the census and explained that the data collected determines how 675 billion dollars in federal funds are disseminated throughout the country for things such as grants, Head Start programs, school lunch programs, Medicaid program, infrastructure, and much more.

**Road Dept:** The tree by Irvings sign has been removed. Irvings will be getting a new sign.

There were washouts from the rainfall on Mountain Street, the Five Mile Square Road and Parody Mountain Road.

Jerry Blake will be retiring from the road department in the spring. Mark said that Jesse Nash is still interested in the job.

Judy Valente has water in her driveway off of Dale Avenue. She lives at the lowest part of Dale Avenue, so the water collects there. She needs a berm.

Mark said that they received another grant for Basil Hill. Jason will help with this next year.

A culvert for the Head of the Pond Road needs to be on a priority list for the Grant schedule next year.

**Buildings & Maintenance:** Ray said that there is no water in the basement. He fixed the problem. Jeanne asked him to bury the drainage pipe at the corner of the building instead of leaving it exposed to make it look nicer.

The Depot Building still has a little roof leak. Ray has called Kingdom Construction on this.

Ray presented the board with two estimates on prices for lights, a back rack and steel wheels for his truck. One of the estimates included a bed liner (roll on kit type). The board did not make a decision at this time. The matter is under advisement.

Ray showed NECKA the office space available upstairs. They may wish to move there. In the future NECKA and NEKLS may be interested in the third floor, but first we would need an elevator to the third floor.

**Adopt Water & Sewer Ordinances:** Jeanne Gervais made a motion to adopt the Water Ordinance. Heather McElroy seconds, all in favor, so carried.

Heather McElroy made a motion to adopt the Sewer Ordinance. Jeanne Gervais seconds, all in favor, so carried.

**Pay Orders:** The board reviewed and signed the general account and road account pay orders.

The board also signed the overweight permits.

**Approve Minutes of previous meeting:** Heather McElroy made a motion to approve the minutes of September 18, 2019. Jeanne Gervais seconds, all in favor, so carried.

**Other Business:** There was no other business.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.