

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 15, 2020

Present: Jeanne Gervais, Heather McElroy, Ed Barber, Neil Morrissette, Laura Saaman, Jeff Noyes, Mark Castonguay, Ray Fontaine, Jonah Rumball-Petre, and Teresa DeBonville.

Jeanne Gervais called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Updates to the Agenda: Updates include appointment of Jonah Rumball-Petre as an auditor; and a request letter from the Disabled American Veterans.

A motion was made by Heather McElroy to appoint Jonah Rumball-Petre as an auditor. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

The board received a request letter from DAV to hold their annual coin drop on August 8, 2020 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to grant permission for this. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Neil Morrissette and Laura Saaman were present to explain the “vapor” program. This program places candidates in a work environment for training purposes, and all of the cost is paid for by the “vapor” program. Mr. Morrissette has a candidate and was wondering if the town would be interested in utilizing this opportunity. The board said this would be ok and Mr. Morrissette will contact the town clerk to set up scheduling to have this candidate start.

Public comment: None.

Road department: The certificate of highway mileage was tabled.

Mark explained to the board that it was probably time to purchase a new plow/dump truck. The board agreed to put this in the proposed 2020 budget for approval at town meeting.

Diesel fuel prices are running about .30 higher through Oil Supply than through Irving. The board will discuss this more at a future meeting after checking the price difference for a couple more weeks.

Fire department: The board received a complaint about the road crew leaving a berm of snow in front of the fire department doors when they plow the yard. Ray and Mark will work together to make sure this is cleaned up in front of the doors when they plow.

The fuel tank on the ambulance bay side of the fire station is rotted and needs to be replaced. This will be done as soon as possible.

Buildings and maintenance: Ray informed the board that the steering on the tractor is broken and that it may have a leaky wheel seal. Parts have been ordered to repair this.

NEKCA Lease: Joel gave the board a copy of NEKCA'S rental lease to review and sign. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to accept and sign the lease as printed. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

End of year loan authorization: A motion was made by Heather McElroy to authorize the signing of the end of the year loan documents in the amount of \$190,000.00. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

2019 budget report and 2020 budget: The board reviewed the finalized 2019 budget. Meetings will be scheduled to discuss the upcoming 2020 budget.

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

VCDP Resolution for engineering study for downtown project: A motion was made by Heather McElroy to sign the Resolution for a VCDP Planning grant. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Approve previous minutes: The board reviewed the minutes of the December 18, 2019 meeting. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to approve the minutes as printed. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Other business: Jonah Rumball-Petre was present to request the change of "Walker Road" to "RLW" road. A motion was made by Heather McElroy to grant Jonah's request. Jeanne Gervais seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.