

Selectboard Meeting

Unapproved Minutes

October 27, 2014

Present: Doon Hinderyckx, Robert Meagher, Joanne McDonnell

Guests: Nancy Woolley, Martha Slater, Terry Severy, Marvin Harvey

Meeting called to order at 6:15 pm.

There were no amendments to the agenda. Robert made motion to approve the minutes from the October 13, 2014 regular meeting, seconded by Doon, so voted.

Old Business: Fire Chief Terry Severy told the board that the fire department members have not yet voted on the Rapid Response Squad. At their business meeting in September, members had questions that could not be answered and different ideas that could be put in place. They will vote at tomorrow's meeting. He feels they will most likely have to rewrite the Fire Department bylaws. He feels that there may be a trial period. Robert reiterated that he will gladly meet with anyone to answer any questions they may have, and would meet with the fire department tomorrow before they vote. He urged Terry to let the members know they can call him for answers to any questions as he is very committed to this project. Terry did not think it would be necessary. Discussion ensued. Gifford Medical Center should have someone qualified to give the final exam for those people who have taken the course already. Robert noted that he would like to see more young people interested in the course as well, which may be a draw for new fire department members.

Utility: Terry noted that he will check with Neptune again, they have not responded to him. Sensus (sp) is the company who may be providing the new meters when the time comes. Short discussion ensued.

New Business: The Board discussed the bid proposal for the Solar Group Net Metering RFB (Request for bids). Doon suggested that the wording be changed to request proposals instead of actual bids. Marvin noted that rebate funds are running out and the work will not be done until after winter, but the wording gives the Board the right to refuse any/all bids. This might be a good way to see what bid amounts come in and then can discuss with the low bidder. When we have a good estimate of what the costs may be, we can bring it to the voters again in March. The "request for bids" was changed to "request for proposals" and the wording "with the intent of maximizing the solar potential of that site" was added along with the address of the town garage. Proposals will be due at the office by 4:00 pm on Friday November 21 to review at the Selectboard meeting on Monday, November 24th. The ad will be placed in The Herald, The Rutland Herald Sunday edition and two editions of The Addison Independent.

Marv noted that he spoke with Mike from the company that stripes the roads and eh should be here tomorrow, October 28th.

Bills were reviewed and warrants signed. Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne McDonnell