

Selectboard Meeting

Tuesday, January 14, 2019

Present: Doon Hinderyckx, Tom Schnabel, Pat Harvey

Guests: Martha Slater, Bruce Fleweling, Mike Harvey, Nancy Woolley, John Champion, Joan Allen, Dave Harvey, Desmond Piccicuto, Ray Harvey, Harland McKirryher, Janice Brown

Doon called Meeting to order at 6:15 PM.

No additions were added to the agenda

Minutes: Doon made the motion to approve December 21, 2018 selectboard meeting minutes, seconded by Tom. So voted

Doon made the motion to approve December 21, 2018 Special Town meeting minutes, seconded by Tom. So voted.

Doon made the motion to approve January 8, 2019 Special Town Meeting minutes, seconded by Tom. So voted.

Ray spoke about the continued discussion about the generator and repeater at Terry Severy's house. He is trying to get a meeting together with other towns but has not had one yet. He has put a call in to Peter Fellows from TRORC about grant money and trying to piggy-back a grant with Stockbridge too which has a good chance as a tri-town and first response. He also spoke with a real estate lawyer about separating the two, so if the property was to sell the generator and repeater would come out of the house or the other option is the two could stay and charge rent. Doon expressed that the funds were not available to pay for this. Ray said the money could be raised and Mike Harvey said that there have been successful mailings in the past. The discussion also included a good chance to go after a matched Grant. Mike expressed his concerns that the options are not so attractive in the valley and that the town doesn't own land to site it. The commitment by the Town is not an ideal circumstance. Ray had conversations with the Hawk Board about using common land and they didn't like the idea. The discussion of a 14.5 Genset was made to run the entire house. Currently there is a construction generator used to power up the repeater but that is not healthy to run and it's old. Discussion continued about battery power and their battery life is around give or take, 12 hours. Discussion continued about batteries not being ideal and a waste of money. Tom said maybe AT&T could send out a rep to discuss FirstNet. Discussion continued that even with a new generator the radios will still have incompatibilities. More research of new technologies might be in order. Discussion continued and the board will check into AT&T FirstNet. Board thanked Ray for his research as well.

Joan's Updates: Joan submitted the final storm water master plan, which was finalized in December. She would like to discuss with the board before the January 23 a discussion with Andreas from Watershed Consulting Associates made a presentation and talked about a potential project moving forward in the next few months that would be at the town garage that had funding opportunities and White River Partnership is prepared to hold the funding for that. The main provisions for that Fund would be that there wouldn't be any costs to the town other than in Kind Work. There is some minor design work. There are 2 Grants that are matching grants to cover the final design. The final costs are in the neighborhood of \$72,000.00. These could have the biggest impact for the least amount of money. The 2 grants are the Clean Water Block Grant, which was the same funding as the White River Partnerships Wing Farm Road. There was money left over so they are willing to roll it over into 2019. That would need to be matched and the January 23 date is a National Forest Service Foundation Grant that would fund the balance. Match would be in Kind from the road crew. She will e-mail the board. The Velomont Grant would need the board's signatures. The plan requires the town to have policies requirements as stated. Policies would need to be created before the grant comes through. Joan said that the last meeting minutes discussed the bus shelter misunderstanding and seemed to be that the school would pay for that but that there is a balance in the fund for that. Board said that will be figured out and more to come later.

Highway discussion: Board asked how the sand pile is holding up. John said it is shrinking.

New Business: Maple Soul Liquor licenses needed approval. Doon moved to approve. Tom seconded it. So voted.

The highway mileage report is due on Feb. 20. Bruce had road information for the board. GPS 3 of the class 4 roads. Jones Mountain Road, Dura Kinsman and Pine Rd. Bruce found an interesting point that the Pine road actually starts ion the Bingo Road and crosses the bridge and bears to the right, The highway map shows it ends in the middle of nowhere. Nothing in roads records and a period of time (Late 30's to the early 40's where the selectboard minutes are missing. Bruce said that going through the maps one by one, indicated that the Pine Road terminate by the sand pit. He thinks they wanted to keep the the road open to the sand pit. That is where the maps are inaccurate. Harland said it was interesting that the minutes needed are missing for that period. Bruce will go the the state to see if they received justification from Rochester to drop portion of the road.

Janice Brown presented the board with flags that were reused to show how they conditioned over a year time. She asked if new flags could be added to the budget and presented the board with an estimate of the cost for the flags needed for the Veterans in the cemeteries. Doon thanked Janice.

Harland asked about the legal bills. Doon noted that the legal fees are at \$34,414.11. He also asked why there was plowing past his house. John's response was that it was requested.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30PM

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Smith

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