



Selectmen's /Assessors Meeting Summary

July 22, 2020

7:00 P.M.

Selectmen Present: Wesley Daniel, Tom Johnston, Berkley Linscott,

Others Present: Mary Anderson-Town Clerk, Bob Temple, Frank Jones Jr., Phil Meunier

Wesley Daniel called the Selectmen's Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Approve Summary of July 15, 2020: Motion to approve summary by Tom Johnston, Berkley Linscott 2nd, All in favor, Motion's carried.

Sign Treasurer's Warrant dated July 22, 2020:

Payroll Warrant #59- \$4,958.20

A/P Vendor Warrant #60- \$32,846.45

Motion to pay warrants by Tom Johnston, Berkley Linscott 2nd, All in favor, Motion's carried.

Road Foreman Report: Written by Frank Jones, Jr. and read by Wesley Daniel:

7/13/2020: 6:30am-4:30pm -Greg and I chipped down trees in town; cut brush on Vanner and 105; Fixed the wash outs.

7/14/2020: 6:30am-4:30pm -Put up 911 street signs and put jute mat out on Calderwood Road hill and seeded it, seeded Youngs hill road.

7/15/2020: 6:30am-4:30pm -Took P-500 rear brake off, it was stuck; Patched Sprague Rd wash out – it took 30 yds of gravel.

7/016/2020: Holiday for 4th of July. Frank was called out for 3hrs for a tree on Calderwood and a sink hole on Old County Road.

The road crew is going to go to Crystal Lake to clean up the public area. Frank Jones, Jr. suggested that the town remove the trash can from the park in the Village because people are throwing household trash in the receptacle. The Selectmen agreed.

CEO Report: Bob Temple stated that he drove by the Redemption Center and all of the bottles were tied up in bags and he is going to check on whether there is an outside storage permit; He also said that the Audio/Visual building is going to need a permit; He is going to check with the DEP regarding the status of the lot clearing that is happening on Prescott Rd.

Health Officer Report: Not present.

Town Clerk/Treasurer's Report: Mary Anderson stated that we received a Revenue Share check for \$11,811.84 and a dividend from MMA risk pool for \$1,052 and Worker's Comp for \$552 and a 2019 Veteran's Reimbursement for \$1,757; The Town Meeting was on Saturday and went well, we had 58 people including Town Officials and employees

(56 voting and 2 Seasonal); We have had a complaint about the pedestrians walking on Bill Luce Road, since the new pedestrian signs have gone up. The complainant has seen pedestrians walking in the road and not moving over when cars are coming down the road, she believes that the new signs are making walkers feel entitled to walk in the middle of the road and it is dangerous.

Other Agenda Items:

-April Bank Statement- The Selectmen signed the April Bank Statement, there were no issues.

-Stanley Millay, The Assessor's Agent- Stan presented a summary to the Selectmen with several options for the Tax Mil rate. After some discussion, Wesley Daniel made a motion to accept the .0163 mil rate, which is the same as last year, because of COVID-19, it would be a good idea to not increase the tax rate for the residents this year. The overlay would be \$35,735.34; Berkley Linscott 2nd, All in favor, Motion's carried.

-The Selectmen signed the Appointments for the new Broadband Committee.

-The Selectmen signed a new Notarial Service Policy to increase the Notary Fee from \$2.00 to \$5.00 as of August 1, 2020.

-Phil Meunier, The Fire Chief presented a contract for a new tanker chassis. The cost will be \$122,159. Mary Anderson is going to contact the bank tomorrow regarding financing. Berkley Linscott asked if it should go out to bid and Tom Johnston responded that the Fire Department shopped around and the estimate they found was the best that they found. Wesley Daniel stated that he would like the old chassis to come back here once the tanker is removed instead of leaving it at Island Falls in case a resident is interested in purchasing it. Phil stated that there is an interested party in Island Falls. Wesley Daniel stated that if there is an offer, the sale needs to be pre-approved by the Selectmen. Tom Johnston made a motion to approve the contract pending bank financing, Wesley Daniel 2nd, All in favor, Motion's carried.

-The Road Crew needs to hire an employee who has mechanical skills along with road work experience. There is a need for one full time and two part-time workers; Mary Anderson will place an ad next week.

Questions and Comments:

Berkley Linscott stated that there is a limb down at Maple Grove Cemetery. Frank Jones Jr. is going to take a look at it to determine if it would be safe to take down the limb without potential damage to the headstones and report back.

Motion to Adjourn by Berkley Linscott, Tom Johnston 2nd, All in favor, Motion's carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Joan Hayward