

TOWN OF JEFFERSON
SELECT BOARD
APRIL 10, 2017

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Jefferson was held at the Selectmen Office Monday, April 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm

PRESENT: Tom Brady, Chair, Kevin Meehan and Cindy Silver members comprising a quorum of the Board.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Cushman, Assistant to Selectmen; Terri Larcomb

Tom Brady opened the regular meeting at 7:02 pm. The Highway and Transfer Station report was reviewed. Terri Larcomb, Treasurer was in to sign checks.

Kevin Meehan made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 3, 2017 Select Board meeting and place on file after correcting a spelling error in the last sentence of the first paragraph on page 3. Cindy Silver seconded the motion. The Chair recommends that the statement "being no further business" be deleted as it is redundant. Motion carries.

The accounts payable and payroll warrants were signed.

The invoices were reviewed and approved for payment next week.

The Board was presented the quarterly financial report for their review.

Chris Milligan had reported that the trip to Valley Fire had been postponed. He will notify the Board once it is rescheduled.

Terri Larcomb asked what it would take to get the Board to open some of the Town roads to ATV use for residents. It was stated that a restricting use just to residents would not be possible. The Select Board could allow the use of the Town roads. This wouldn't be done until after hearings were held. The ATV club has been working on getting trails so that there would be a reason to open the Town roads. There was a question as to whether a road if opened up to ATV's would become a trail. Terri said that she was just thinking about opening up a couple of key roads. There are pros and cons on both sides of this issue. Opening a few roads at a time may be a way to ease into opening all the roads for ATV use. It was asked if dirt bikes would also be able to use the same roads. Berlin and Gorham have certain sections of their trails open to dirt bikes. The first question that needs to be answered is whether allowing the ATV's to use a Town road constitutes a trail. Terri asked who would be able to give her that information. Someone at the Trails Bureau should be able to answer the question.

Attorney Whitelaw is waiting for a call from Mr. Hamilton at DRA. Once she has talked to Mr. Hamilton she will make her recommendations to the Board as to how they will need to proceed to meet the DRA requirements to gather the camper trailer information for assessing.

Linda Cushman reported that she has talked with Mrs. Gregory regarding the elementary school safety meetings. Mrs. Gregory stated that everyone taking part in the safety meeting were doing it on a volunteer basis. It was stated that everyone else is doing this as a volunteer then the fire department

should do the same.

There was a discussion about doing inspections for businesses at their request when a building permit is not needed. Should these businesses be paying a fee for the inspection. This is something that should be discussed with the Fire Chief.

Item 9 on the agenda was County notification to the Fire Marshal. The Chair asked what this was about. Linda Cushman said that at last weeks meeting the Chair and Fire Chief said the Town should notify the Fire Marshal in the same manner and she did not know what needed to be done. The Chair explained the County Planning Board has the responsibility of reviewing building permits for unincorporated places in the county. With all the large projects that were being submitted and the Planning Board not having the expertise they felt was needed to properly approve the permits they had asked the State Fire Marshal Office to assist.

With regards to NFI and what is needed this is why the Fire Marshall has been asked to attend a Board meeting. We need to know what the policies are and what should be done. Chief Milligan has setup an appointment with the Fire Marshal for April 17. The Chair asked if everyone would be available to meet at 6:00 pm. Yes. A notice will be posted as to the time change for the April 17, 2017 Board meeting. After meeting with the Fire Marshal the Board will be able to answer questions when asked and know what they are talking about.

Chief Milligan discussed the repair of the spring with Larry Kenison. It has been determined that the work on the spring can be done for no more than \$500. The chief has asked if the Board would approve the work. Kevin made a motion to approve the repair of the spring not to exceed \$500. Cindy seconded the motion. Motion carries.

The next meeting will be April 17, 2017 at 6:00 pm

The July 4th parade permit was signed and will be submitted to the District 1 DOT office.

It was reported that it is up to the Board to establish an ordinance for fireworks not the Planning Board as previously stated. Linda passed out RSA's that addressed the establishment of an ordinance and a copy of an ordinance from Rochester for the Board review. It was stated that no ordinance would be in place for this year. The Board will review and make a decision as how to address the issue for Jefferson.

Cindy asked if there was a map of the culverts in Town. She would like to see it. She said that there are some culverts on the Israel River Road that still need attention. Linda said that there was a map and she would look for it.

Kevin mentioned that the Board should consider doing a letter to DOT about shimming Stag Hollow Road. They never responded to the letter last year.

Ervin Connary apologized for not having the Selectmen plaque done. He will get it out this month.

Kevin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cindy seconded the motion. Motion carries.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.