TOWN OF HILL

SELECTMEN'S MEETING November 21, 2017

Selectmen Present: Tom Seymour, Bob Dupuis, Mike Brady, and Lisa Seymour (Administrative Assistant)

Selectmen Absent:

Public: Julie Buker, Judy Brady, Tom Whitman, Stephen Robinson, Mark LaBonte, Gerry Desrochers, Michelle Munson and Amanda Sleaster

Tom Seymour brought the meeting to order at 6:26 pm.

FIRE DEPT: Dee Ford reported that it had been quiet. Dee presented her budget to the selectmen for their review.

HIGHWAY DEPT: Dean reported the grader needs to be repaired and it could possibly be the motor. The selectmen stated that these repairs would need to wait until next year because we had major repairs on the 550 truck. The 550 has been repaired; it also needed to have a new motor.

Waste Management has had a change in the recycling process for the mixed plastics and mixed paper. They have asked us to follow three simple rules: 1) Recycle all empty bottles, cans, cardboard and paper; 2) Keep food and liquid out of recycling; and 3) Keep plastic bags, bagged recyclables, plastic film and medical waste out of recycling effective Nov 20th. To help Mr. Libby with this change, Dennis Cote will be helping out at the transfer station.

Police Dept: Chief Stevens presented his budget. Bob Dupuis inquired about the CO₂ meter in the new cruiser. Chief said we had not installed one as of yet. The new officer has started.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Shelly reported that she wanted to encumber some funds from her 2017 budget for new computers and signage outside the town clerk/tax collector's office. Shelley all so presented her budget.

PUBLIC MEETING: Gerry Desrochers & Marc Coffin from the water commissioners would like to have a generator for the pump house. Gerry was concerned about the long outage in October and the frequency that we lose power. The water commissioners are considering a 3 phase generator at a cost of \$50 – 60 thousand. Gerry mentioned a Homeland Security Grant might require a 50/50 match. Bob Dupuis asked if they had checked into the surplus store for a generator.

Michelle Munson came in to discuss the State Security Grant for improvement for school disasters. This would include lockdowns, security systems, cameras, shatter resistance glass for the windows, and fob entry badges. Her concerns are that the town owns the building and wanted the board's permission to apply for the grants. These grants are first come first serve and they are not matching funds. If there is money left after upgrading the school the board would like to have a fob entry system for the town offices as well.

Julie Buker from FSB came in to finalize the online banking I-Business24 account. Judy Brady and Lisa Seymour will have access to this account.

Tom Whitman and Stephen Robinson came into discuss the decision made by the ZBA on the Kathe Higgins building permit. Tom Whitman and Stephen Robinson are filing a request for a rehearing regarding this decision by the ZBA.

NON Public Session: 7:45 pm

BOARD BUSINESS:

Tax-Rate review for DRA – Rod Wood will remote in and produce the tax warrant after I receive that final rate from DRA. Would like to have the tax bill date for Nov 29th this would make tax bills due in 2017.

Letters went out to Gary Fouts and Brad Haus certified mail.

Timber tax for Clough Road will be ready next week. We just received the report of cut.

Discussed the expense for year end and recording the expense when they occur and not accumulate them for a more accurate monthly flow.

Highway and Transfer station will present budgets Dec 5th and all other depts.

Preparing the paperwork to move \$92,860.24 from the Road Reconstruction Capital Reserve to cover work completed this summer.

The Gravel Crushing request has been completed.

Discussion on the floating holiday in the employee handbook and when it should be taken.

With no further business to conduct, motion was made and unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa A. Seymour

Tom Seymour, Chairman

Mike Brady