

TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 8, 2019

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

Selectmen Absent: None

Public: Kathe Higgins, Michael Limanni

Tom Seymour brought the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

Fire Dept: Dee Ford passed her information to the Town Administrator to report to the board. The old generator has been removed and the new one should be installed this weekend. Dee has been working on the Hazard Mitigation grant. 25% is our portion and there is no money involved because our portion is labor and meetings.

Highway Dept: Dean Stevenson reported that they got the new plow and it's going to take a bit to get use to it because it's a little bigger than the other one. Keeping track of the mailboxes that have been hit this season and will replace in the spring. All of the equipment is running ok at this point in time. The grader is going to get work done on the front end, but this can be done by the department. Bob asked Dean if he looked at the Federal website for auctions, they had a 2010 John Deere for 40k. Dean said he did not.

Police Dept: Chief Williamson sent a note and is requesting permission to place an ad for part-time officers. Selectmen approved the request.

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Shelly Henry no report.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Kathe Higgins came in to discuss lot R08/08 and R08/15. Ms. Higgins wanted the Selectmen to confirm that Lot R08/08 is a buildable lot. Mike stated that "It is the opinion of the Hill Selectboard that a building permit could not be considered for lot R8/08 at this time. This is based on the Hill ZBA decision that requires a substantial upgrade to the ROW (right-of-way) litigated for lot R08/15 before any additional building is allowed. Lot R08/08 was not a part of this litigation. Since this upgrade is not under the purview of the Selectboard, we would suggest that you contact the Hill ZBA to establish the specifications of the required upgrade and how this will be monitored and approved." It was stated that the Selectboard does not give opinions on suitability of future purpose. Tom stated that there were just too many variables that could change.

There was more discussion on this and Ms. Higgins had various paperwork which the Board declined to review. The Board of Selectmen said that the decision and release was for a single building permit for R8-15 and that R8-08 was not included in this decision. The Selectmen stated that R8-08 currently is not a buildable lot and they could not consider any permits for this lot at this time. The Selectmen stated that they did not know what specs the ROW would need to meet and exactly what portions of the ROW would be affected. Those would be questions for the ZBA. Once this issue is completed and finalized the Selectboard would review any permit application submitted for compliance with the Hill Zoning Ordinance and other legal requirements.

School payment discussion - the DRA confirmed that they didn't use the fund balance retained as it was disallowed in the state adjusted number to set the tax rate. However, the State Source (Keno) Kindergarten Aid was double counted once on the 2018 MS-24-R and then on the spreadsheet with the calculation for FY19 Revised payments.

Michael Limanni, Business Administrator, came to the selectmen's meeting for a discussion on the school payment and explain the reserve for encumbrances from prior year. He explained the (Keno) Kindergarten Aid and how the payment is calculated for the school district. After much discussion the Selectmen are in agreement with the revised payment schedule.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Building Permits: David Hurd for a HUD handicap ramp 19 Ferrin Street - Approved

Intent to Cut: Jason Curtis for Map R3 Lot 20 Cass Mill Road – Approved

Application for the use of the Town Hall by the Heather Bhagat Girl Scout Event on February 30, 2019 needs signatures – Approved

The Town of Hill will be receiving a Primex premium holiday distribution this was based on the 2017 financial results.

Health insurance for fulltime employees is carried through HealthTrust and is broken down as follows. Individual coverage for the employee only will be paid 100% by the Town. If you choose the two-person plan you will be required to contribute 15% of the cost and for family plan you will be required to contribute 25% of the cost.

Letter for Dennis Levesque for noncompliance with the building permit request was signed by the Selectmen and will be sent via certified mail.

Lisa will reach out to DuBois & King on the status of the Bunker Hill Bridge.

Lisa will contact Jamie at the DRA about the process to move funds from the school capital reserves that were deposited in error.

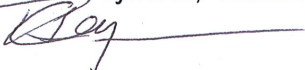
There will be a Public Hearing at 7:30 in the selectmen office to review the Junkyard zoning ordinances.

With no further business to conduct, motion was made and unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:51 pm.

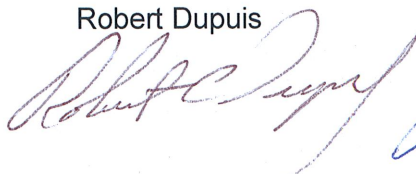
Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Tom Seymour, Chairman



Robert Dupuis



Mike Brady

