

TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

November 17, 2020

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

Selectmen Absent:

Public: Thomas Pavelka, Bill Wilson, David Testerman and Shaun Bresnahan.

Tom Seymour brought the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

First order of business was to make sure everyone was respecting the physical distancing and wearing masks orders issued by Governor Sununu.

Shaun Bresnahan handed Thomas Seymour his resignation from the Town of Hill Trustee of Trust Funds. Shaun Bresnahan has accepted the open position on the Board of Selectmen.

Robert Dupuis made a motion to accept the resignation from Shaun Bresnahan as Trustee of Trust Funds. Thomas Seymour seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Robert Dupuis made a motion to appoint Shaun Bresnahan to the Board of Selectmen. Thomas Seymour seconded the motion. All were in favor

Thomas Seymour administered the oath of office to Shaun Bresnahan to fill the vacancy for Selectman.

Robert Dupuis made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session at 6:03 pm seconded by Thomas Seymour. Motion passed unanimously. RSA 91-A:3, II(c).

Robert Dupuis made a motion to leave nonpublic Session and return to public session at 6:51 pm seconded by Thomas Seymour. Motion passed unanimously. Motion was made to seal the meeting minutes. Roll call voted to seal the minutes. All in favor.

Fire Dept: Jeffery Ford presented the 2021 Fire Dept. budget FOR \$65,968.00. Thomas Seymour asked about the dispatch fees of \$13,300. Jeff said that Fire Station still needs to be shingled so they budgeted \$1,500 for that. Under the new equipment they want to purchase another SCBA and additional radios. Robert Dupuis asked how many SCBA units and how many portable radios do currently have? Jeff said that they have 5 or 6 SCBA units and 6 firefighters are certified. They purchased 4 new radios last year and need an additional 11 to have them for the trucks and each firefighter to have one. The Fire Department has 13 volunteer firefighters. Under the Protective Clothing we need to replace two sets of gear that are worn out. Jeffery stated that they have new employees.

Highway Dept: Dean Stevenson presented the 2021 Highway and Transfer Dept budgets. The Highway budget has an increase over the approved budget this year. Diesel is budgeted for \$32,000. It shows under \$11,521 under budget this year because we were shorthanded, so many projects that were scheduled didn't get completed. The equipment expense increased \$6,000 and it went over budget this year. The cost of repairs increases every year. The Health Insurance increased 6.4%. This is a fixed cost that can't be lowered. The salt increased \$4,000 because cost of supply. Last year we had a lot of freezing rain and ice storms Seeking 3% raises this year. Dean discussed the roads that need immediate attention which is the Bunker Hill Road of from Currier Road. The question was asked how many miles of road to we

maintain. Dean stated that we have 45 miles of road to maintain. 22 miles are pavement and 23 miles are dirt. The only question on the Transfer Station was the wages. The wages are based on two people at the Transfer Station for safety reasons and a 3% raise for Anson Libby. We entered into a new contract with Waste Management last year in which the rates increase significantly.

Police Dept: Chief Stevens

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Shelly Henry no report

PUBLIC SESSION:

Bill Wilson wanted to discuss the possibility of getting a Zoom account for the Town of Hill. With the public hearings for the Town Budget and School Budget in early spring and with the COVID-19 cases rising we need to have a plan to hold these meeting virtually. Bill was also concerned about how do we replace the Moderator now that Gerry Desrochers has moved to another town. Thomas Seymour stated that the Supervisor of the Checklists appoints a new moderator until the election in March. Eric Herr will be appointed at the next Supervisor of the Checklists meeting in December. Setting the meeting process comes from the moderator.

BOARD BUSINESS:

Building Permits:

None

Driveway Permits:

None

Intent to Cut Wood or Timber:

None

Other:

Selectmen meeting minutes from November 10 – approved

Selectmen special meeting minutes November 13 – approved

Bristol Fire Department 2021 Ambulance Contract. Robert Dupuis made a motion to approve the Ambulance Contract submitted by the Bristol Fire Department for the amount of \$37,034.47 for services to Hill. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All were in favor.

2020P02 Tax Warrant – The Board of Selectmen signed the warrant for the taxes and these should be out later this week.

Robert Dupuis made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session at 8:15 pm seconded by Thomas Seymour. Motion passed unanimously. RSA 91-A:3, II(c).

Robert Dupuis made a motion to leave nonpublic Session and return to public session at 8:55 pm seconded by Thomas Seymour. Motion passed unanimously. Motion was made to seal the meeting minutes. Roll call voted to seal the minutes. All in favor.

With no further business to conduct, motion was made and unanimously approved to adjourn at 9:00 pm.

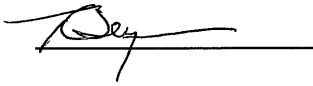
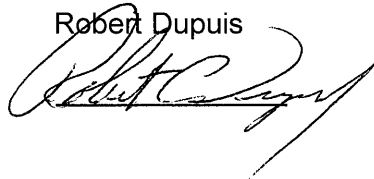
Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa A. Seymour

Tom Seymour, Chairman

Robert Dupuis

Shaun Bresnahan

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