# TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 05, 2023

**Selectmen Present**: Tom Seymour, Shaun Bresnahan, Frank Razzaboni & Lisa Seymour (Administrative Assistant)

Selectmen Absent: None

Public: Bruce Blazon, Mark Labonte & Jamie Moulton

Tom Seymour brought the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Tom Seymour made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session at 4:30 pm and was seconded by Frank Razzaboni. Motion passed unanimously. (RSA 91-A:3, II (c))

Frank Razzaboni made a motion to leave nonpublic Session and return to public session at 5:00 pm and was seconded by Tom Seymour. Motion passed unanimously. Motion made to seal the minutes passed unanimously.

Frank Razzaboni made a motion to enter into Nonpublic Session at 5:31 pm and was seconded by Tom Seymour. Motion passed unanimously. (RSA 91-A:3, II (c))

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to leave nonpublic Session and return to public session at 5:58 pm and was seconded by Frank Razzaboni. Motion passed unanimously. Motion made to seal the minutes passed unanimously.

## FIRE DEPT:

No Report at this time

#### **HEALTH OFFICER:**

No Report at this time

## **HIGHWAY DEPT:**

No Report at this time

## **POLICE DEPT:**

No Report at this time

## **TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:**

No Report at this time

## **PUBLIC SESSION:**

Tom Seymour opened the public hearing at 6:30 pm. The Town of Hill received \$53,221.81 from the SB 401 one-time bridge payment. The Board of Selectmen discussed the one - time payment. Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to accept the SB 401 one-time bridge payment in the amount of \$53,221.81. Frank Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor. Tom Seymour closed the public hearing at 6:45 pm.

Bruce Blazon asked about the water main break. Shaun Bresnahan said it started with a curb stop leak and when it was opened and reviewed, it needed to be replaced. The system was shut down and when restarting the system after the repair it sent pressure back in the line and the weakest section broke. Shaun also stated this system is 82 years old. Bruce asked if this there is capital infrastructure reserve to repair the water lines. The answer is no and this will be a major upgrade to replace the 70% that needs replacing. There are two good wells and they are pumping 80 gal per

min. The current repair was under a brook off RTE 3 A. The total replacement of new water lines was 140' and it was back on line at 4:15 pm today.

Mr. Blazon inquired about the property on Snow Road. He questioned if previous owners were properly noticed because the bankruptcy hearing for January 28<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled to February 8<sup>th</sup>. Shaun Bresnahan said that they were properly noticed by registered mail and regular mail before it was taken.

Bruce Blazon wanted to know the status of the police department for Hill NH. Shaun Bresnahan stated that there will be a warrant article addressing the options that we have in offering police protection to the residents.

Bruce Blazon asked the status of the letter that was signed by residents on Snow Road regarding the issue on Snow Road. Shaun Bresnahan said this would be a law enforcement issue as the board of selectmen can't address conflict between neighbors. Due to comments by Mr. Blazon, Frank Razzaboni asked Bruce if he was taking action to have the land surveyed? Bruce replied he was not at this time.

Bruce Blazon stated that the town is in violation of Zoning Ordinance Article IV Section I "Outdoor Lighting". Section 3-A states all lighting shall be aimed, located, designed, fitted and maintained so as not to present a hazard to drivers or pedestrians by impairing their ability to safely traverse and so as not to create a nuisance by projecting or reflecting objectionable light onto a neighboring property. Mr. Blazon says the town-owned property at 25 Snow Road has lighting that violates this ordinance.

Mr. Blazon also said the town was in violation, at the same property, of Zoning Ordinance Article IV Section L "Junk Yards", which states that no land in any zoning district shall be used for storage or disposal of junk, the accumulation of which is detrimental or injurious to the neighborhood or negatively affects the aesthetics of the neighborhood. However, registered automotive repair services may store a maximum of four (4) unregistered or inoperable motor vehicles not located in a permanent structure or behind fencing, screening wasn't great enough or natural barrier that prevents visibility from adjoining properties or roadways, at their principal place of business.

Bruce has requested that we send a letter to the resident to address these issues. Shaun Bresnahan said this more of a neighbor-to-neighbor issue.

Bruce Blazon said that the soil might be contaminated by the residents living on the property own by the town of hill. Shaun Bresnahan stated if the town knows about it, we would need to have it examined. Mr. Blazon asked if the town had a Capital Reserve Account to clean-up these issues and Shaun Bresnahan replied it is called a tax rate.

## Selectmen Business:

# **Building Permit:**

David & Jeannine Parks 399 Currier Road Map R12 Lot 31-3 Roof mounted pv solar panels – Approved

## **Driveway Permits:**

None

#### Intent to Cut:

None

## Other:

Lakes Region Planning Commission – Road Safety Audit Application due January 31, 2023 Shaun Bresnahan will review this with the highway department.

Selectmen meeting minutes December 20, 2022 – Approved December 27, 2022 – Approved

Rod Wood Contract - Signed

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to accept the letter of resignation from James Ward. Tom Seymour seconded the motion. All in favor

Shaun Bresnahan updated the 2023 mowing contract which will increase the Town Greens from \$180.00 to \$250.00 per mowing and this would result in a \$700.00 increase over the 2022 mowing contract. Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to accept the 2023 mowing contract with R & B Property Maintenance & Landscaping, LLC. Tom Seymour seconded the motion. All in favor

The zero-turn mower is not being used and Robert Dupuis asked if he could purchase it from the town. Robert looked at the same zero-turn mower at Knoxland Equipment for the cost of the mower. Robert will credit the town with the trade in value of \$4,804 as determined by Knoxland Equipment to offset the cost of mowing. Tom Seymour made a motion to accept the offer to sell the mower to Robert Dupuis. Frank Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor. Shaun Bresnahan will write the bill of sale for the zero-turn mower to Robert Dupuis.

## **Water Department**

The water distribution for Friday January 6<sup>th</sup> will be at the Hill Public Library 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday January 7<sup>th</sup> at the Selectmen's Office from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. The water distribution going forward will be at the Selectmen's Office until the Boil Water Order is lifted.

Water Sampling

Laura DeFazio, of Pump Systems, asked for 10 – 12 residents that she would be able to pull a sample from. With the water main break, they had 2 orders for chemicals with each costing \$1,600. John Benham, of Pump Systems, did a manual chorine test when he was at the pump house, he took another look at the meter and found the Colorimeter is broken and could cost \$1,600 plus labor to fix. Currently the Ph meter needs a new salt bridge which costs about \$200. Shaun Bresnahan will ask to have a meeting with pump systems to discuss the chemical pumps. Tom Seymour and Frank Razzaboni said anytime works for them and we could actually meet here in the Selectmen's Office.

Frank Razzaboni asked to move the home meter repairs into February. Everyone agreed that would be a good idea since we are still dealing with the water main breaks.

With no further business to conduct, Frank Razzaboni made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Tom Seymour seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously motion at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Tom Seymour, Chair

Shaun Bresnahan

Frank Razzaboni