TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

February 21, 2023

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

Selectmen Absent: None

Public: Mark Labonte, Ellen Guild, Paul Guild, Danielle Gabree, Eric Herr, Shelly Henry

Tom Seymour brought the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

FIRE DEPT:

Deputy Fire Chief LaBonte provided an update in Chief Moulton's absence. Lieutenant Stephen Arruda and Joseph Sullivan have enrolled in Firefighter 2 and EMT training. Spencer Burbank is currently trying to enroll into the Firefighter 2 and EMT training classes. Mark stated that the State of NH has sent out a reimbursement form that could pay for part of the training which is up to \$1,000 per person. This will deplete the training line in the budget for 2023. Mark provided an update on the 2023 budget after the budget committee's public hearing on February 16th and everything is going well.

The department was invited to Hebron for cold water training Saturday February 25th. However, they are having a hard time finding ice safe enough to have the training.

Mark went to Dingee Machine and picked up a relays needed to fix one of the "scene" floodlights; he will install them next week.

Mark LaBonte would like to know who to contact to send the GSA generators back, he would like to find out if they have a side by side or ATV which could be used for remote emergency access such as the Old Hill Village.

Mark said that the officers have been discussing the next truck purchase. Engine 2 has about 5 to 10 years left as a primary response vehicle. Dingee Machine mentioned that they would like to help the department when they decide to purchase a new fire truck. Maybe they could look at getting a truck like the 6500 and have it outfitted with the proper fire equipment. This would make it easier to access the roads during inclement weather and the spring mud season because it would be four-wheel drive. Frank Razzaboni asked about the tank and the pump. Mark said the it could have a front pump and the 6500 would hold the tank. Currently, they are just thinking ahead.

Mark Labonte stated that morale within the department is getting much better.

HEALTH OFFICER:

Natali Mills absent will send an email report on an open issue.

HIGHWAY DEPT:

No Report at this time

POLICE DEPT:

No Report at this time

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:

Shelly reported that she has collected 96% of the 2022 property taxes.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Danielle Gabree (17 Murray Hill Road) was following up on here question if a indoor riding arena is permissible on her property. Since this property is within the well Head Protection Overlay only uses outlined as Permitted Uses in the Rural Residential District; under Permitted Uses it states that *stables and riding academies* are allowed. Shaun Bresnahan looked into the definition of a riding academy and found this definition online: A *stable for the housing of horses for hire, or for a private riding club. An establishment where horses and ponies are boarded and cared for, where instruction in riding, jumping, and showing may be offered, or where the general public, for a fee, may hire horses for riding. A building and land in which [...] The consensus is this a Permitted Use and as long as the construction can meet all the setbacks. Shaun Bresnahan asked about the height of the building because it cannot exceed 2-1/2 stories (25 ft). Danielle showed the board the building plans and it would exceed this requirement at 28 ft. Danielle is going see if plans could be changed to accommodate the requirement. The setbacks were discussed and the front yard, which is located of Murray Hill Road, needs to be 50' and the rear and sides must be 20' from the property lines. What abuts Route 3A must be 25'.*

Eric Herr came in to discuss the upcoming town meeting on March 16th. Eric asked if there were any hot topics, he should be aware of. Shaun Bresnahan said the selectmen moved two warrant articles to be voted on before the Capital Reserve. Article 3 and Article 4 should generate a lot of discussion. Eric Herr liked the way the auditorium was setup last year and would like the same format. Shaun Bresnahan will talk to the school to have setup this way.

Selectmen Business:

Building Permit:

None

Driveway Permits:

None

Intent to Cut:

Philip Seibel NH Route 3A Map R1 Lot 24 logger Garrett Gilpatric

Other:

Selectmen meeting minutes February 07, 2023 – Signed

2023 Warrant Articles - Signed

March Pasture Hill can be used for snowmobile or ATV's – On Class six roads you can ride a snowmachine or a side by side that is registered with a motor vehicle plate. ATV's can only be used on a designated trail.

Shaun Bresnahan discussed the Merker decision by the ZBA. Need to be mindful of this decision going forward should similar situations arise.

Frank Razzaboni let the selectmen know that Tom Whitman has completed his current 3 year term and has resigned from the Planning Board. Frank Razzaboni would like to highlight that there is an opening on the Planning Board. Frank and Lisa will be taking a class on Current Use and Land Use Change Tax in April. The selectmen made note of Tom Whitman's years of service and fully appreciate his selfless contributions to the town.

Water Department

Frank Razzaboni led a discussion on Lakes Region Water presentation. Nothing was discussed about how much services might cost since Tom wasn't provided with the type of services we would be interested. Frank is going to work on a list of what we may want for water services and request a

proposal. There was agreement that Frank Razzaboni draft a proposal. Shaun Bresnahan suggested after Town Meeting having a meeting with the water users to discuss the raising the flat rate and usage rates to cover the high costs of repairs.

SKR will provide an estimate to relocate the water line on Sand Hill Road and remove the one that currently goes through Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Tom Seymour mentioned the State has opened the ARPA reporting.

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 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Tom Seymour, Chair

Shaun Bresnahan

Frank Razzaboni