

TOWN OF HILL

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

April 18, 2023

Selectmen Present: Shaun Bresnahan Chairman, Frank Razzaboni, Stephen Thomson & Lisa Seymour (Administrative Assistant)

Selectmen Absent: None

Public: Mark Labonte, Natali Mills, Nathan Mills, Jamie Moulton, Niki Mahoney and Thomas Angeley

Shaun Bresnahan brought the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

FIRE DEPT:

Fire Chief Jamie Moulton reported that they have been busy cleaning and repairing equipment. The K12 saw is now running; Deputy Fire Chief Mark LaBonte had it serviced for a lot less than it would cost for a new K12 saw. Captain Nathan Mills is looking into several of Engine 2 light bulbs one is on back order for several months. Lisa Seymour suggested looking into Batteries plus Bulbs in Concord NH. They have had to do minor repairs to Engine 2; seems to need ATF every couple of months but they see no evidence of leaking. Lieutenant Marshall Bennett has been working on the maintenance as well. The pressure washer is working.

Training update: Lieutenant Stephen Arruda, Joseph Sullivan and Spencer Burbank have finished Fire II. Spencer Burbank has finished his EMT and Lieutenant Stephen Arruda and Joseph Sullivan will be finishing soon. Captain Nathan Mills mentioned that they have two more people interested in joining the fire department. Nathan asked if the current application for the fire department was posted on the Town of Hill website. Lisa Seymour said she was sure but will check. Nathan will email the current application to Lisa so it can be kept on file. April 17th the fire department burned the brush pile at the dump as a training opportunity. With the increase in solar panels and electrical vehicles they will be looking into getting trained in the event of a fire.

Nathan Mills the FD is setup with Maine Oxy on an account for refilling oxygen tanks currently they have four tanks. Chief Jamie Moulton mentioned that probably two would be sufficient. Nathan Mills gave an update on the medical supplies which is good. Nathan demonstrated a new device called a Life Vac that can be used when they have a person unconscious from choking on an object and Heimlich maneuver fails. This device costs \$65.00 and is part of the department's med kit. Nathan Mills spoke with Bergeron Protective Clothing and Equipment about the credit we have with them. Nathan was able to get Spencer Burbank new boots and purchased more gloves. Chief Jamie Moulton is looking into purchasing safety equipment to include new vests, replacement cones and safety signs. The fire department has a generator that needs repairing the parts will be \$200.00 and will power the furnace, lights and kitchen area.

Natalia Mills is working on the removal of the government surplus generator. Mark Labonte is looking into a grant with Hill's Forest Ranger for a new ATV for forestry, rescues and events in town. Mark LaBonte and the kids are still issuing fire permits on Wednesday's from 10am to 1pm at the fire station.

Christopher Gonski is looking into forming a group of people that would like to help paint the Firehouse. Christopher is looking for volunteers, donations of supplies for example paint and refreshments for a BBQ lunch or dinner. However, the volunteers will need to sign waivers of liability. Christopher will contact the Chief to see what color they would like. The selectmen don't have an issue with this. Shaun Bresnahan mentioned that when they do this the building should be sealed to avoid any leakage. Christopher has already been looking for volunteers on Facebook.

Chief Jamie Moulton has a gas kitchen stove he would like to donate to the fire station and remove the electrically one. Jamie would also like to purchase a new refrigerator as well. It was suggested that he check Craigslist or Marketplace for a used one.

The donated trailer from Gilford is now registered and is at Chief Jamie Moulton's. They have purchased a new hitch lock for it to make it harder to steal.

Jamie asked where to get the paint for painting hydrants; Shaun Bresnahan stated Sherwin Williams would be the best bet.

HEALTH OFFICER:

Natali Mills reported that she has received a letter back from the NH Department of Environmental Services regarding 20 Shop Road. Natalia Mills emailed the letter to the Town Attorney for the proper steps to be taken. The Attorney stated that a new letter should be sent immediately via certified mail. If this doesn't work the EPA will notified. Natali suggested to we set a deadline on when this work needs to be completed and Chairman Shaun Bresnahan agreed. The timeline for a scheduling a site inspection will be 14 days and site inspection within one month from that date that the letter is sent. The code and violation will be included in the letter. Francis Razzaboni asked if the Water Commissioners can just simply shut the water off until it is repaired. We can't shut the water off currently for this type of situation, water system rules only allow for failure to pay bill. The understanding that there is a pipe leaving the 500-gallon septic tank and is currently no one knows where the leach field is; the tank is supposed to be pumped once a month we should request a copy of the receipt on the service pumping. Mark LaBonte mentioned that when the tank is full with liquid it will seep out from any opening. Deputy Health Officer Jamie Moulton drove by and saw the person living there and he seemed be a little nervous.

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:

Paul Fletcher Merrill from 54 Snow Road inquired about the placement of ham radio tower platforms in Hill. Shaun Bresnahan asked how tall are these and are they going to have a base? Paul said the tower less the platform is 190' and will set on a 4'x4' platform with a depth of 5'. Shaun Bresnahan pointed out that in the Rural Residential District Section E. on page 15 Building height: Building shall not exceed 2 ½ stories in height. Article IV; Section A definitions page 7 Structures: Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground or attachment to something having location on the ground which occupies four or more square feet. Fences and stonewalls shall not be deemed structures, providing they are erected wholly within the bounds of the lot to which they service. Shaun Bresnahan said the board will need to do more research before making a decision. Shaun said that they could approve the addition, barn and solar panels. Paul decided to wait on the buildings and solar panels until we have clarification on the radio tower.

Parks and Rec Niki Mahoney came in support of appointing Jamie Moulton as a new member to Parks and Rec. Shaun Bresnahan asked Jamie if he had time for this. Jamie said he did and plans to help the committee make the Maurice Wheeler Park improvements for the residents to enjoy. Niki and Jamie both said we need more people to join Parks and Rec.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to appoint Jamie Moulton to the Park and Rec Committee. Francis Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor. Shaun Bresnahan did the certificate of appointment and the oath of office for Jamie Moulton.

Selectmen Business:

Building Permit:

Paul & Stephanie Merrill 54 Snow Road Map R10 lot 31-2. Addition 40' x 26' with kitchen/dining room to main house, detached 40' x 40' barn with solar planes and erect amateur radio antennas. On hold until May 2nd need to discuss with legal counsel.

Michael & MaryAnn Moses 85 Clough Road Map R12 Lot 6. New Construction contract a 32' x 50' single family home with a 14' x 14' porch with a connecting porch to a 28' x 32' garage – Approved

Stephen & Vicki Plante 47 Ferrin Street Map V Lot 104-10. Installation of 18 roof mounted solar panels – Approved

Janet Hazelton 493 Currier Road Map R13 Lot 32-4. Relocation of an 8' x 16' second level deck to the entry way of the home – Approved

Thomas & Lisa Seymour 124 New Chester Road Map V Lot 110. Removal of open porch fin 4' x 4' and deck entrance 4' x 4' located on the backside of house – Approved

Stephen & April Houten 672 Borough Road Map R3 Lot 03. 12' x 20' shed for lawn care and gardening tools – Approved

Driveway Permits:

None

Intent to Cut:

None

Yield tax for Peter and Faith Knowles – Signed

Gravel Intent: Bootjack Road, LLC Notice of Intent to Excavate 23-215-01-E. The Excavate was approved. Stephen Thomson wants to review RSA 155-E: 5-a Incremental Reclamation which covers depletion of commercial earth materials.

Gravel Tax Levy Warrant – Bootjack Road LLC Christopher Seufert Approved

Other:

Selectmen Meeting Mins. – April 4, 2023 – signed

Selectmen Workshop Mins. – April 11, 2023 – signed

Water Commissioner's Meeting Mins. April 11, 2023 – signed

2023 MS-232 report of appropriations actually voted – signed

Discussion on the proposal from Bellemore for the catch basin cleaning and pipe jetting. Shaun would like to discuss this at the May 2nd meeting with the highway department and Dale Wheeler.

Review the building permit log from 2023 for completion of homes or construction was reviewed and Lisa Seymour will work with Rod Wood and write letters to the expired building permit holders.

Veteran Tax Credit – Noah Fogg – Approved and signed

Veteran Tax Credit – Michael Brown – Approved and signed

Notice of Violation – Map R11 Lot 29-03 – Approved and signed. To be sent via registered mail

Discussion on open ligation case. Stephen Thomson has more questions for the attorney regarding the case. The Board will contact the attorney for a conference call.

The highway department has been out with the chipper cleaning the sides of the road of down trees and limbs. They also have the sweeper out to clear the winter sand from the roads.

The road bans have been lifted on all roads in the town.

Purchase Order Procedures Policy review. Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to accept the Purchase Order Procedures as written for distribution. Francis Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor. Lisa Seymour will distribute to department heads

Employees Handbook approval. Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to accept the Employee Handbook with the changes for distribution. Francis Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor. Lisa Seymour will distribute to employees.

Welfare Policy review tabled until May 2nd.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to take the 2009 Ford Expedition cruiser to Gilpatric Metal Recycling for scrap. Stephen Thomson seconded the motion. All in favor. Stephen Thomson will coordinate the removal of the cruiser.

The 1999 Dump Truck will put out to bid as a yard truck more discussion and finalizing at the May 2nd meeting.

Water Department

The Water Commissioner's will be meeting on May 9th at 6:30 pm. The meters will be read May 13th. Because Sunday is a holiday.

The water commissioners and fire department will be doing Hydrant flushing on May 14th this may cause a discoloration of the water.

EJ Prescott will be here on April 20, 2023 to sync our reader gun with the system and take there's back.

With no further business to conduct, Shaun Bresnahan made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Francis Razzaboni seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously motion at 9:27 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Shaun Bresnahan, Chair

Frank Razzaboni

Stephen Thomson

