

TOWN OF HILL

SELECTMEN'S MEETING

November 7, 2023

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

Selectmen Absent: Stephen Thomson

Public: Carl Rider, Sumner Doten, David Thomson, Thomas Scribner, Bruce Blazon, Paul Guild, Ellen Guild, Donald Reese, Paul Merrill, Patricia Lynch, William O'Connor, Thomas Angeley and Cathy Angeley

Shaun Bresnahan brought the meeting to order at 6 pm.

FIRE DEPT:

No report at this time

HEALTH OFFICER:

No report at this time.

HIGHWAY DEPT:

No report at this time

POLICE DEPT:

Chief Joseph Guerriero wanted to bring to light 2 grant options. The first one is for body cameras with tasers this is from Axon Enterprise has a bundle package which would include 1 body camera and 1 taser for \$29,514 with the grant the cost would be \$10,355 which can be spread over 5 years resulting a cost per year \$2,715. You can apply for a grant which requires a 50/50 match.

The second grant is a 75/25 match this would cover all the computer components to have the patrol car

Chief Guerriero inquired if it would possible for him to attend the New Hampshire Chiefs of Police Winter Meeting in December. The board approved Joe to attend.

Joe is working with Vets and Weapons on the inventory of ammunition and weapons in the Police Department.

Shaun Bresnahan asked how the tires were on the cruiser? Joe stated that the snow tires are in good condition.

Joe asked if the holiday towards the regular hours? Shaun said that you are salary and we will need to review the current employee handbook.

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR:

Shelly Henry presented her budget she has requested an increase for the supervisors of the checklist. One of the increases would be the supervisors of the checklist. Currently they are being paid \$7.25 per hour and other towns are paying their supervisors \$15.00 per hour. Shelly asked Lisa to provide the 2020, 2021 and 2022 wage history for the supervisors. Shelly also pointed out that 2024 has four elections. The other expenses that the election incurs are paper absent ballots which change from year to year and lunches.

Shelly explained and Lisa agreed that the copier that is used to print, fax and scan in the copier room has been an issue and to have it repair is difficult because Twin Rivers cannot get those parts anymore. Shelly increased the professional services for the purchase of the new copier. The copier expense is shared between the Selectmen's office and town clerk. Twin Rivers stated that we should add 10% to the quote because by the time the budget is passed increases can have an impact.

Shelly has proposed a wage increase for Karen Monahan and for Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

The increase in the postage is due to the increases by the US Postal Services.

Shelly stated that the supervisors of the checklist will need a new laptop the one they have was purchased in 2019.

Karen Monahan will be out for personal reasons.

PUBLIC SESSION:

Merrill Paul from 54 Snow Road Map R10 Lot 31-2 and R10 Lot 31-03 asked about joining the two properties and breaking out the required acreage and the current home to be sold. They would like to build a new house on the remaining property. Paul Merrill will need to make an appointment with the planning board. Lisa Seymour will reach out to the planning board so he can be on the schedule for November 16th.

William O'Conner Borough Road Map R1 Lots 54 & 53 came before the Board of Selectmen to discuss his building permit issued two years ago. The issue is there is no road in Hill to the property therefore there is no road frontage. William is hoping the board would see in favor to allow him to build a 16' x 20' shed. William asked in good faith to approve the permit. Seems like a win win situation. William stated that 8 acres are in conservation easement. Shaun Bresnahan is concern is a lot that meets conformance. Stephen Thomson is the one that knows the zoning ordinances. William stated that he has a septic design and wetland permit that has been completed. Shaun Bresnahan would like to talk with Stephen Thomson for final approval. William will attend via a conference call at November 21st meeting.

Stephen Rosen would like reroute of snowmobile trail from Clough Road to Currier Road. They would like to go to the north side of the current trail. There would be minimal tree cutting and this make the trail safer. The town has already given them permission for the old skid trail. Frank Razzaboni has no issue. Stephen Rosen added it will be easier to back down the groomer.

Frank Razzaboni made a motion to make the change to the snowmobile trail for Safety reasons. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

Patricia Lynch feels that we need a reality check on the class VI roads. Patricia is concern with the old road to Danbury because it crosses the Lynch property and effects the farming fields. Patricia would like a driveway permit for farming only. Patricia said the road was there when they purchased the property and is part of the deed. David Thomson asked how hard is it to abandon a road? Shaun Bresnahan said this is done through a warrant article at town meeting. However, a road can be reinstated for example Axel Road. Shaun Bresnahan told Patricia that she doesn't need a driveway permit.

Bruce Blazon made the selectmen aware that after the letter was sent to 25 Snow Road the lighting has increased. Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to write a letter stating Mike Wallace has so many days to remove these lights. Frank Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor Lisa Seymour will draft the letter.

Bruce Blazon was looking for an update on the ongoing issue on Snow Road. They are having another hearing later this month.

Carl Rider from 58 Patten Road came in to let the Board of Selectmen know that the residence at 38 Patten has excessive lighting shining toward their property and beyond. Carl Rider has not approached them because of other issues. Chief Guerriero is willing to talk with the neighbor. The chief will also check out the lighting issue this evening. Carl Rider will email the office a statement and pictures. The Selectmen will send them a letter volitation of the Zoning Ordinances.

Thomas Scribner inquired to when the paving will be done on Bunker Hill Road. Shaun Bresnahan that R&D Paving will be there within a couple of weeks. Bruce Blazon expressed concern of the weather being too cold to pave. Shaun Bresnahan stated that the new road agent will be assisting with the pavement and he has a lot of experience with paving.

Paul Guild asked where are we in the process with the current septic issue the last they knew legal council was taking this to court. Paul Guild mentioned that they are not following every two-week pumping of the septic tank. Frank Razzaboni that is correct it has not been done. Paul what are we going to do. Paul asked about the lawyer stands. Ellen Guild said we get so far and things just stop. The Guilds also added that they are building a building on the property.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to send a letter of cease and desist for the building without a permit. Frank Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor.

Paul Guild asked when will the loose stones and paving be done on Crescent Street? Ellen said that stones are very dangerous.

Donald Reese asked about the 252' of Mountain View around the circle by Carlene Eaton property. Shaun stated probably next summer. Donald asked will the warrant article for the sidewalk removal cover this. Shaun stated no because it expires at the end of this year. We will need to just complete it.

Selectmen Business

Building Permit:

Lisa LaRoche Installation Generator 739 Murray Hill Road Map R7 Lot 04 – No permit required.

Frank Razzaboni made a motion that a building permit is not required for generator pad. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor

Matthew DuBreuil 736 Murray Hill Road Map R3 Lot 31-1. Adding a new 10' x 12' shed to the property.

Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to approve the building permit to add a new 10' x 12' shed. Frank Razzaboni seconded the motion. All in favor.

Driveway Permits:

None

Intent to Cut:

None

Gravel Intent:

Yield Tax:

None

Other:

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October 22nd and October 29th Non-Public meeting mins approved.

Michael Kaar 21 Shop Road came in regards to the open storm drains and when will the cutback under growth edge of road be done. Shaun Bresnahan asked Lisa to reach out to the new road agent regarding this.

Danielle Stonis request for nonpublic school zoning verification for the Hilltop Christian Academy. Shaun Bresnahan doesn't think it fits our zoning. Under the Village District section B special exemptions section 3 Public or private schools provided they are located on a lot of least two acres, plus 2,000 square feet of land area per each sleeping room. Shaun stated that Stephen Thomson should be here for this discussion because was on the zoning board.

WEX gas cards and cellphones have been ordered. The WEX card is for gas we have a card for the police department and the highway department. We have issued a cellphone to the police chief and the road agent.

HealthTrust Insurance enrollment for 2024 needs to be signed. We will need a special meeting to discuss the health insurance before signing the enrollment for 2024.

Budget workshop scheduled for Wednesday November 15, 2023 time 2:00 pm to close. This meeting is a workshop for the board to review the actuals to budget for the current year. Frank provided an update on the meeting with school, parks & rec and safety committee. The stairs going to the ballfield could be a wood chip area. Frank asked about a gradual path to the ballfield? The issue is that the septic tank and fuel tank is located near the wood chip area. Frank suggested that Gregg take a look at it for his input. Shaun Bresnahan agreed that this area be closed. Frank Razzaboni made a motion to put up a snow fence and address in the spring. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

The PO from Northeast Tire for new tires for the International will need approval. Shaun Bresnahan made a motion to purchase four tires with truck mounts for \$2,644.76 from Northeast Tire. Frank Razzaboni seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Parks & Rec would like to purchase another picnic table for the pond area. The picnic table will cost \$374.00. Frank Razzaboni made a motion to purchase a picnic table from Lowes for \$374.00. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

With no further business to conduct, Frank Razzaboni made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously motion at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Shaun Bresnahan, Chair

Frank Razzaboni

Stephen Thomson
