

# TOWN OF HILL SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 7, 2025

**Selectmen Present:** Shaun Bresnahan Chairman, Stephen Thomson, Richard Vincent & Lisa Seymour (Administrative Assistant)

**Selectmen Absent:**

**Public:** Harold Knott, Joann Irving, Joe Guerriero, Thomas Scribner, Shelly Henry, Tony Cartier, James Taylor, Joann Irving and Michael Wallace

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

## Highway Department:

Gregg talked to Mike Corliss about being a back-up driver during snow storms if we had an employee out. Mike Corliss filled out an application and now the Selectmen would like to talk with him and see if he is still interested. Shaun will reach out to see if he could meet on Friday January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Stephen asked how the equipment is holding together? Tony things are holding together. We need to order a fuel pump for the loader, window washer for the trucks and oil. Shaun Bresnahan in the interim we can have Tony purchasing the items need to keep the equipment running.

The front axel on the 6500 needs replacing plus the bearings. The International still has low power and we are still trouble shooting the issue. Tony said that the truck has 94K miles. The 6500 has a broken left rear spring. Shaun Bresnahan asked Tony to call around for quotes.

Salt pile looks good and the sand at the town shed is good. The sand at the Clough pit is getting low.

## Town Clerk:

Shelly Henry reported that candidacy sign up starts January 22<sup>nd</sup> to January 31<sup>st</sup>. Shelly asked the board should just post the elected position or included the appointed positions as well. Stephen Thomson do both and maybe that will get people interested in joining boards. Shelly is looking for someone to cover the vacancy on the Supervisor of Checklist.

Shelly inquired about the giving tree this year. Shaun Bresnahan mentioned that there will be changes to the process next year because it wasn't handled correctly. Stephen Thomson asked about the issues with the giving tree? The issue is the presents were not all delivered by Christmas. This will be discussed further before the program starts this year.

There was a question about the Hill Fire Association and the transparency of their meetings. Because this is a 501 C 3 non-profit and registered with the Attorney General it should be transparent with meeting minutes.

## Police Department:

Chief Joe Guerriero no report

**Public:**

James Taylor from 10 Moses Lane has trees that are on Town Property V-TT-9 leaning onto his property and in the high winds' branches are coming down near his home. Shaun Bresnahan will look at this tomorrow and develop a plan of action. James Moses is interested in purchasing the tract of Town property however, this needs to go before Town Meeting.

Tony Cartier will be filling in at the Transfer Station when someone is out. He will be covering for Paul Burnor in January and will apprentice under Anson Libby. Tony will be compensated at his current rate at the Highway Department. Tony inquired if he take the hours worked at the Transfer Station as comp time. Lisa Seymour will check the NH Labor Laws to see if this can be done.

Tom Scribner said that when he was going to do the bluegrass festival, he spoke with the manager at the TD Bank about donations. Shaun Bresnahan asked if Tom had a contact number or person.

Michael Wallace asked if a letter could be sent to Bruce Blazon regarding the lights shining onto his property. Mike is also concerned with smoke that is coming onto his property because it appears that he is burning trash. Mike has a concern about a gravel pit on his property. Shaun Bresnahan said a landowner can excavate on there property as long as it is for there personal use and not in current use.

**Selectmen Business:**

**Building Permit:**

None

**Driveway Permits:**

Stephen Punderson 193 Clough Road Map R12 Lot 04 or Lot 03

Stephen Thomson made a motion to approve the permit for construction for 193 Clough Road. Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. All in favor.

**Yield Tax:**

None

**Other:**

Rod Wood Assessing contract for one year has been signed.

Mowing Contract will be posted tomorrow and it will be advertised in the Laconia Daily Sun.

Personnel Action Form – Karen wage increase approved.

There was a discussion about the Fire Chief wages and the reports being done. The firefighters were upset that they were not getting paid for doing reports and Jamie was being paid. Stephen Thomson stated these reports must be done and we need to reign this in. Tom Scriber is concern with the disorganization in the department. Shaun Bresnahan stated the history is repeating itself.

Warrant Articles and Revenue and Expense for Budget meeting will be discussed in the Budget Workshop scheduled for January 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. Shaun Bresnahan gave the dates for the last petition warrant article to be submitted which is February 4<sup>th</sup> followed by the public hearing being held between February 7<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. Lisa Seymour reminded the board the information needs to be available for the Town Report.

General Updates:

Short Term Disability (STD) amounts have not been updated to today's rates and HealthTrust is currently looking at the current wages in order to determine the new weekly amount. They will provide a few proposals for the town to review.

The minutes are being address and I have a lot of them done and posted as drafts on the website.

The new LED motion lights have been installed in the hallway at the Town Office.

Paul Guild provided an update on the Fire Committee – draft has been completed and email for review and should be approved on January 13<sup>th</sup> and ready to submit to the Selectmen on January 14<sup>th</sup>

With no further business to conduct, Stephen Thomson made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Shaun Bresnahan seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously motion at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Seymour

Shaun Bresnahan, Chair

Stephen Thomson

Richard Vincent

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