New Ashford Select Board Meeting

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July 23, 2018

Board Present: Jason Jayko (chair), Ken McInerney, Mark Phelps

Others Present: Lori Jayko, Richard George, Walker Haig, Brady Haig, Lori Trottier, Keith

Lacasse

Meeting opened at 4:00

- 1. Plumbing/Gas Inspector Appointments: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Ken, Walker Haig was appointed as the Plumbing and Gas Inspector. On a motion by Mark, seconded by Ken, Brady Haig was appointed as the Assistant Plumbing and Gas Inspector. A verbal resignation was received from Jack Haig, Plumbing and Gas Inspector, effective July 23, 2018. Mark made a motion to accept the resignation with gratitude, seconded by Ken.
- 2. Approve Minutes from 7/9 and 7/13: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason, the minutes from the 7/9/2018 Select Board Meeting were approved. Ken abstained. On a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason, the minutes from the 7/13/2018 Select Board Meeting were approved.
- 3. Public Comment: Mark noted that the mowing on the south side of Mallery Road looks nice.
- 4. Assessor: Jason will contact Assessors, Gus Martin and Bill Barkin, for an update.
- 5. Road Commissioner: Keith Lacasse, ordered a sign for Roys Road "Dirt Road Ahead/Seasonal Use" and will move the "Children at Play" sign from Smith Road to Roys Road. The new turnaround for the snow plow on Ingraham Road needs to be modified. Ken okayed the proposed residence for the Conservation Commission. A septic permit needs to be obtained from the Board of Health.

There are some coarse spots on Greylock Road but it is holding up well after recent rain. Keith will fill the potholes. He will speak to the Woolivers about their fixing the entrance to their driveway. There is some wear on Ingraham Road that needs to be graded when the construction traffic is through.

Keith will finish the work on the Salt Shed when his machine is repaired. The steel is on order and will be shipped soon.

The STRAP Grant is due August 11. Ken and Keith will fill it out. Senator Hinds' office will attach a letter of recommendation to grant application.

Keith has not heard from the owner of the pond on Mallery and Cemetery Roads. Written permission is required before work can proceed to create a water source for the Fire Department, including permission for maintenance every five to ten years.

Jason asked Keith about burying the two new, 1,000-gallon propane tanks at the Town Hall on the north side of the building, and adding some pylons. The grant money has not been received yet, but H.A. George wanted to get the project on their schedule. An RDA may need to be filed for the Conservation Commission, due to proximity to the river. The project will improve the potential risk by removing the old oil tank from the basement where there is a floor drain. Jason spoke to two contractors about creating the room in the Town Hall to house the Broadband equipment. Paul Supranowicz, from Custom Renovations, did a site visit and will give an estimate.

- 6. Building Inspector: Jason provided Building Inspector, Don Torrico, with a copy of the town letterhead with the town seal so Don can issue legal documents to address the multiple violations at the Carriage House.
- 7. Town Hall Updates: When the Community Compact grant money is received, the electrical work can proceed. The room modification will be paid for from the Broadband grant.
- 8. Broadband: Jason talked with Whip City and they are pushing for the pole work to get completed. They will have a copy of the ISP agreements for review. The next Wired West meeting is August 8.
- 9. Any Other Unforeseen Business: Mark asked about wires being strung in Lanesboro. Those are Spectrum's and not related to our project.
- 10. Warrant: The warrant was reviewed and signed.

Next meeting August 7 at 6:30 Meeting adjourned at 4:41 on a motion by Ken, seconded by Jason.