New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting New Ashford Town Hall/Teleconference January 19, 2021 Board Present: Jason Jayko (Chair), Ken McInerney (MLP Manager), Mark Phelps Others Present: Keith Lacasse, Richard George, Frank Speth, Lori Jayko Call-In: Frank Youngkin, Sherry Youngkin

Meeting opened at 6:30

1. Approve minutes from January 4, 2021: On a motion by Mark, seconded by Ken, the minutes from the January 4, 2021 New Ashford Select Board/MLP Meeting were approved.

2. Public Comment: The Board received a letter from Joan Wilkinson stating her resignation as Tax Collector, effective February 12.

Sherry Youngkin dropped off the contract for the Council on Aging and Jason signed it.

3. Road Commissioner: Keith Lacasse ordered sand from Donovan, as the supply was running low. He called the Tree Warden about the cherry tree in the cemetery and the tree at the Bouchards'. The Tree Warden is going to look at it again and will call Eversource if it needs to come down. Frank Youngkin has concerns about the icy conditions on Greylock Road. He said there are three or four spots that are very icy at times and the garbage company has refused to go up the road because of the conditions. Frank thinks the road requires more services as built up snow gets packed down and turns to ice. Jason will drive up Greylock Road tomorrow. It's a concern for Fire Department access as well. The Board will give Frank John's phone number to report problems.

4. Culvert Grant: Ken and Keith will work on the grant application for the culvert on Ingraham Road. The culvert near Snowy Owl just needs to be cleaned. The Beach Hill culverts are in good condition and need yearly maintenance.

5. Cares Act: The remaining money will be used to put instant hot water in the Fire Station.

6. Burn Permits: Fire Chief, Frank Speth, explained the online burning permit process. It will cost the town \$95 to use the online service, with no cost to residents for permits. The cost is split between the communities that use it. Dispatch and other Fire Departments can access the burning permit information. The information was sent to town residents by e-mail and is on the town website. Burning is permitted from 10am-4pm, set by the state. Frank will check the rules for agricultural properties.

7. Any other unforeseen business: None

8. Warrant: The warrants were reviewed and signed.

Next meeting February 1 at 6:30, with a cemetery presentation on the agenda.

9. Executive Session: The Select Board went into Executive Session at 7:34, by roll call vote, to discuss charges of criminal misconduct or consider filing criminal complaints. Executive Session was closed at 7:41. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 on a motion by Mark, seconded by Jason.