Select Board Meeting

September 4, 2019

6:01 pm meeting called to order.

Select Board members present: Neil Oleson, Ericka Oleson, and Mike Bedini.

Select board members absent: None

Others present: Christine Dobbert, Melanie Medon and Stephanie Pare. Pat Carnevale was present for first part of the meeting. Jim White was in and out during the meeting.

Ericka made a motion to approve the minutes from the last two meetings. Mike seconded. Unanimous.

Pat Carnevale from the governor’s office. Left his business card and let the board and Chris know he is available if needed for any grants and such. Chris asked about state owned land. Pat stated he will send an email to explain the whole program.

Highway union contract signed.

Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator:

The COA voted to recommend Joyce Van Tilborg as assistant director and Sue Oleson as director at $16.00/hour. Ericka made a motion to appoint Joyce Van Tilborg as assistant director and Sue Oleson as director. Mike seconded. Neil abstained.

Jim White, Interim Highway Supervisor:

* Would like to keep Mike Hubby full time permanently. Stated he is a good worker, he knows the roads, and he is very reliable. The board stated there are two permanent positions available. One is DPW supervisor and the other is the utility person. Jim stated Mike does not want the utility position. Jim stated he would like the position of DPW supervisor and if he does get the job there will be a position open. The board stated that it is all dependent upon what happens. Mike’s last day is possibly the 13th.
* Stated Phelps Road was cleared of downed trees. Blackstone has one in the ditch. Monroe Road had a small wash out. Most of the mess is on Whitcomb Hill and River Roads.
* The millings on Greer Road near Henrietta’s went down into the pipe. Need to contact the fire department to wash it out. Stated there is also one by Bergendahl’s.

Stephanie Pare, in regards to school heating system:

* Stated she went to check passwords with Bob and it was offline. They found the manual and called the number in it. It appears the main controller is dead. CTC came today and confirmed the main control is no good. CTC gave two quotes. The like item for like item quote is for $8,950 which would be an old system with obsolete software. An upgrade, web based, with new computer would be about $12,000. It would cost about another $800 to have all the other components checked. Heidi asked Stephanie to relate this information to the select board and she will bring it to the school committee on the 16th. Chris stated she would like to explore the cost of a yearly contract with CTC.

Mike Bedini, Select Board Member:

* Stated he talked to Mike Gleason and told him to get a quote together. Neil stated they should meet with BJ to see what is required. Chris will set up a meeting with BJ.

Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator:

* Jobs were posted today. They will run until September 30th.
* Crack sealing on roads and at the school will be done Saturday. He will not need detail. Jim will put the signs up Friday night.
* The board asked Chris to use her discretion and to have any qualified applicants attend the next meeting for interviews.

Jim White, Interim Highway Supervisor:

* Jim returned and stated that Whitcomb Hill had about 20 trees down and a few poles. Doug and Jim will be working on getting the trees out of the way where the lines have been removed.

7:08 pm Mike made a motion to adjourn. Ericka seconded. Unanimous.