Select Board Meeting

January 23, 2019

6:02 pm meeting called to order.

Board members present: Neil Oleson, Krista Bishop and Ericka Oleson

Board members absent: None

Others present: Christine Dobbert, Glenn Burdick, Melanie Medon, Ron and Cindy Bosley, and Joe and Aurora Foster.

Krista made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Ericka seconded. Unanimous.

Joe and Aurora Foster:

* Submitted a petition signed by various residents to keep South County Road open in the winter as a shared road so the snowmobiles could still access it. This would decrease travel time for some and provide an alternate way across the mountain in case the trail was impassable. The board pointed out the liability and cost of having it open during the winter. DCR will not be logging this winter so the road is currently closed. The town will look into the cost of upgrading the road to make shareable but there are other roads that need to be maintained.

Chris Dobbert, Town Administrator:

* Switching to LED would save the town about $2500/year. Neil would like a few people to take a ride around town and assess the lighting. Chris needs to send an application to join the program to replace lights with LEDs. Krista made a motion to submit the application for the program to replace existing lights with LEDS. Ericka seconded. Unanimous.
* COA redid their by-laws. Select board members will review them.
* Chris and Ericka went to Boston and attended MIIA trainings. Spoke with a few software vendors. Two they are interested in and they will be coming to do demos.
* Tax bills went out.
* Taxes can now be paid online.
* Joel Burdick went to court on the 17th. Was granted additional time. He has until May.
* Chapter 90 money will be in February 5th.
* Still having safety issues at the garage. Will be having someone from MIIA do an OSHA training.

Glenn Burdick, Highway

* Had trouble with snow drifting. Would like to use snow fencing or plant evergreens in the future.
* Three trucks were down as of Monday. Only one now.
* Sand and salt shed is full.
* Pushing snow back.
* Grader was repaired 1 week ago.
* Maintaining citizen’s box for sand and salt.
* Questioned where the solar stands. Chris replied that Bestech stated National Grid quoted $1.7 million to make it usable which they say is not feasible. Changes were made to the proposal and it is being looked at by the attorney.
* Adams Plumbing does not do the plumbing at the school anymore. West Oil does not want to do a boiler of that size. Ashley Swift will be handling it except for calibrating and a few other tasks that will be handled by West Oil still.

6:54 pm Krista made a motion to adjourn. Ericka seconded. Unanimous.