Select Board Meeting

December 22, 2021

6:02 pm meeting called to order by Neil Oleson.

Select Board members present: Mike Bedini, Terry Green, Neil Oleson

Select board members absent: None

Others present: Jim White, Christine Dobbert, Ron Bosley, Vicki Winchell, Krista Bishop

Mike Bedini made a motion to approve the minutes from the 12/8/21 meeting. Terry Green seconded. Unanimous.

Selectmen:

* The Tax Classification hearing was held tonight with Krista Bishop presenting on behalf of the Assessors. The current rates are $8.51/$19.53. Discussions were held with Krista and the board on the possible rates.
  + Mike Bedini made a motion to accept the tax rate of $8.61 residential and $19.65 commercial. Terry Green seconded. Unanimous.
* The question was also asked as to whether a property, built strictly to be used as an Air BNB should be taxed at the commercial rate or the residential rate. All agreed that since it is not being used as a residential property it would need to be taxed at the commercial rate.
* Terry Green made a motion to accept the resignation of Assessor Diana Alexander. Neil Oleson seconded. Mike Bedini abstained.
* Mike inquired as to where we stand on the Wifi issues. Christine responded the temporary structure is up on Borden Mountain and they are waiting for it to be hooked up.

Jim White, Highway Department Supervisor:

* Plowing and Sanding
* Weed whacked all of River Road and Whitcomb Hill Road
* Cleaned up trees and limbs from the last storms
* Snow and ice removal
* Checking over the checks.
* Cinta’s wants to replace the highway department shirts with a Carhart shirt costing $0.44 more per shirt. The shirt will be available in long and short sleeves. Jim will check to be sure they are fire retardant.
* Mike questioned the need to for the wings to be down on the plow trucks when there is little snow to plow. He felt it was not necessary and making an unnecessary mess of people’s properties. Jim will bring it to the attention of the drivers.

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Christine Dobbert, Town Administrator:

* Received 180 Covid tests to distribute to town residents. There is one box (containing two tests) per household. A notice will be posted on the Florida Facebook page tonight informing residents they can pick them up at town hall Thursday, December 23, 2021 8:30am – 3pm or the Fire Department on the following Tuesday evening. Any elderly unable to pick up can request to have one delivered to them at no charge. After those handouts are completed, the remaining stock will be reassessed and new times for pick up, on a first come first serve basis, will be offered.
* Stove for the Senior Center is estimating to cost $2,000 - $3,000 to replace, for the same size. The other option is to go smaller for approximately $800-$1000. Unsure if the current stove can be fixed.
* Balance sheet has been submitted to the state and the Schedule A is in progress.

6:37 pm Mike Bedini made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Terry Green seconded. Unanimous.