

Selectmen's Meeting
January 13, 2015

Attendance: Lori Bennett, C. Wayne Miller, Kristin Venza, Kim Ashley, Eric Gulbrandsen, Troy Morse, Bruce Taylor, Chris Chadbourne, Julie McQueen and DJ Curtis.

Lori Bennett called for the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:04 pm and then called the meeting to order.

Wayne Miller made a motion to approve the minutes of December 16, 2014 with corrections. Motion was 2nd by Lori Bennett and approved 3-0.

Visitors:

Troy Morse asked the Selectmen if they had any questions or comments on the roads. Wayne said he was doing a great job. He discussed with the Selectmen some work to be done this summer. He also mentioned logging was being done on Webber Pond Rd.

Report of officers and committees:

Animal Control Officer- Jacqueline Frye:

No report

CEO- Eric Gulbrandsen:

CODE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

1. **BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED:**

NONE

2. **R. V. PERMITS ISSUED:**

NONE

3. **CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY ISSUED:**

Stephen Walsh, 3 Hardscrabble Rd., R2, 1&1A

4. **VIOLATION NOTICES ISSUED:**

NONE

5. **TIMBER HARVEST NOTIFICATIONS:**

Richard Hudson, R8, 37, Jardine LN.

6. **OTHER:**

NONE

Clerk – Alberta Ridlon:

SVFD - Corin Meehan:

Corin discussed with the Selectmen paying the volunteers on an hourly basis instead of a stipend. The Selectmen decided to call MMA to ensure this action will not classify volunteers as employees of the town.

Lori asked Corin about the Bike Maine item and he said the Fire Department was interested but attendance was down at the last meeting.

Department Report- December/January 2014/15

Calls: There were 2 requests for service in the reporting period, a utility hazard, and a mutual aid response to Lovell.

Meetings/Trainings: Monthly training was conducted on chainsaw safety and maintenance. The association did not meet due to the holiday

Expenses: 2014 remainder: Total: \$622.53, Payroll: \$85.00, Fuel: \$141.60, Porta-Potty rental: \$200.00, Radio components: \$195.93

2015: Total: \$60.00-Payroll

Comments: The department will be conducting annual mandatory BLS compliance refresher training, medical clearances, and SCBA fit testing, in the month of January. Additionally several members will be attending a 2-day fire officer ship class in early February.

Planning continues on the "Big Rig Rescue" class being sponsored by the fire association. This is an advanced extrication and stabilization training focusing on heavy commercial trucks and similar vehicles such as school buses, skidders, etc. A national level instructor is teaching the 2.5 day class and has generously donated his time, with the association funding airfare, lodging, and board. All money received from class registrations will go towards helping fund department operations. Due to the level of interest in the class at this time, and expected selling out of the 40 slots, we anticipate a decent level of fundraising in addition to the fine training opportunity.

Road Commissioner – Stephen Bennett:

ROAD COMMISSIONERS REPORT

12/17/14-1/13/15

Work done since last report:

None

Work to be done in the next month:

None

Expenses:

Troy Morse Concrete - \$14,932.00 – winter road contract

Morton Salt - \$4,326.07 – Salt

Anticipated expenses:

Troy Morse Concrete – Sanding bill

Comments:

Not much work being done this time of year.

Visitors;

Admin. Assistant – Diana Curtis (DJ)

The Selectmen, Budget Committee and DJ discussed the need for the Special Town Meeting and why the 2013 articles were necessary. The Selectmen voted on the following articles for the Special Town Meeting;

Article 3. To see what sum the town will take from Surplus for 2013 General Government as required from 2013 audit.

Selectmen recommend 3-0 \$27,763.00

Article 4. To see what sum the town will take from Surplus for 2013 Public Works as required from 2013 audit.

Selectmen recommend 3-0 \$26,907.00

Article 5. To see what sum the town will take from Surplus for 2013 Public Safety as required from 2013 audit.

Selectmen recommend 3-0 \$1,256.00

Article 6. To see what sum the town will take from Surplus for 2014 Legal Counsel over expenditures.

Selectmen recommend 3-0

\$9,000.00

LD1 was discussed and reviewed by DJ along with estimated Tax Rate for 2015, and past rates. Annual town warrant votes were made by the Selectmen. Please see attachment.

Old Business:

New Business:

Kim Ashley asked about having Stephen Bennett's cell number on the phone answering machine.

Kim also asked about having a 2nd fax line. Wayne and Lori agreed this is a good idea.

A circulator pump was repaired on the Town Office furnace, reported Lori.

Communications:

Mail Received:

Certificate of foreclosure

Budget request from Bridgton Chamber of Commerce.

Western Maine Transportation budget request

Tri County homeless people survey

MMA dues invoice

Mid Maine Waste Action Corp. letter regarding new tipping fee.

Next meeting will be January 27, 2015 at 6:00 pm.

Lori made a motion to adjourn at 9:03 pm. Wayne 2nd the motion and it was passed 2-0.

Respectfully

Diana J. Curtis

Adm. Asst. to Board of Selectmen