

## **9 April 2019 Select Board Meeting**

6:01 Opened by Morgan.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

No issues with the agenda.

Emily Manson and Hope from Plymouth High school, attended meeting for their Civics class.

Still waiting to hear back from "Portable Toilets" for spring placement at Hamilton Field and Riverside Park.

Chief Trott gave his report.

### **Highway Department:**

There have been no inspections on any of the vehicles in approximately a year and a half. The Freightliner appears to be in good shape and will go to Lebanon on the 15<sup>th</sup> for an inspection.

The 2014 International Dump Truck will have potential issues with the hydraulic tank because the cover came off during the winter. Even though the system has been flushed out several times, there is still an expectation that sand/salt/sludge will have gotten in. All brakes need to be replaced on the truck. Paul and John will probably be able to do the break work but that will also mean they won't be on the roads during that period of time. The International will go to Manchester for an inspection in the near future.

The 2014 (purchased in 2015) F550 is at Plymouth Ford for an assessment. As of now, they've found the frame is broken in three spots, the subframe for the dump body is broken and can't go down, there's no power, brakes are bad, the wing is bent (bar and tubing is bent and needs replacing). Plymouth Ford reported they will not mend the frame, they would only replace it, as they can't guarantee the safety of the mended frame. The Town would be looking at a bill of approximately \$35K to replace the frame and fix other issues.

It was suggested that the \$45K in the paving section of the budget be used for repairs/replacement of the 550. The Board needs to figure out if the money in the paving budget is from the block highway grant. The Board also needs to find out if the capital reserve fund for the highway is expendable.

Paul asked to see the invoice from TLC Tree Service on brake work done on one of the trucks (International or Freightliner)

Paul asked the Board to consider putting wi-fi down at the shed so that anyone working there can call for help/assistance if needed. Tanya will call Spectrum and find out about this.

The Board will be looking into personal vehicles being used to run errands for the Highway Department and mileage/fuel compensation. Francis said he would be able to pick up parts/pick up people from dropping trucks off for repair.

Trustees of the Trust Fund asked if they can have a key to the Town Office – Board agreed that they should have one. Board also said they would locate any keys that may still be out with previous Board members.

Trustees gave an update of their progress and issues. Linda Frantz asked if the Board would sign a form stating that she is a member for the Trustees of the Trust Fund. The Board said they would and the form would be ready for the next meeting.

It was noted that the Transfer Station would be closed on Easter Sunday (21 April). Morgan also reported that they are working on ordering Transfer Station stickers. All agreed that having a date on the stickers was not needed. Just the Town name and a one-up number system for tracking.

Tanya reported that Rick Evans from DRA would be conducting training on timber cuts on Thursday the 11<sup>th</sup> at 1000.

Tanya also reported that if the flag at the Town Office was staying outside, the Town needed an all-weather flag and proper lighting for the flag. Francis asked if lighting was in the budget. Morgan noted that there were probably plenty of people who would donate a dollar or two towards proper lighting.

Dan Bowne from the Race Track reported on the status of the track. The Board signed the permit for this year. Dan mentioned he would possibly like to do a mud run at the end of the season. The Board had no issues as it was within the ordinance for the track, but Dan will have to come in several weeks before the mud run to clear it officially with the Board.

The Board discussed the empty spots on several of the Boards, including the Planning Board, Library Board, and Conservation Committee. Francis made a motion to appoint Richard and Rick Borger to the Conservation Committee if they agreed to serve again. Morgan seconded it and all Board members voted yes. Francis said he would call and see if they were interested.

Francis made a motion for Palmer Kalb to sit on the Planning Board. Omer Seconded. Palmer agreed to take one of the positions.

Palmer also asked to be put on a future agenda to give an informational talk about the history of the Town.

Omer reported he spoke to Grafton County Commissioner Linda Lauer about a tour of the nursing home and correctional facility.

He also asked that the Board consider adopting bylaws on how the Board is run. Omer also reported he had a good tour of the roads with Kevin Gilbert.

Finally, Omer provided information on a new legislature that would allow towns to increase the tax credit for fully disabled veterans from (approx) \$2000 to (approx) \$4000. This would need to be included as a warrant articles for the 2020 Town Meeting.

The motion to close the meeting at 8:23 was made by Morgan and seconded by Omer.

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