Wentworth Select Board
Working Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2020

Those present: Omer Ahern, Palmer Koelb, Francis Muzzey, Linda Franz

Called to Order: Francis Muzzey, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:09pm. As this was town election day and the Board was required to be present, a working meeting was held at the Wentworth Elementary School.

Note that Select Board signed payroll and vendor checks as presented over the course of the day.

O.Ahern made a motion to approve the 2019 Annual Facility Report for the Transfer Station and authorize Chairman, Francis Muzzey to sign. Seconded by P.Koelb. All voted “yes”, and motion carried.

O.Ahern made a motion to approve and sign a one-year contract with Whitcher Rubbish Removal as presented. Seconded by P.Koelb. All voted “yes”, and motion carried. Note that the Town did receive other bids, with Whitcher being the most cost effective.

F.Muzzey made a motion to give permission, to the extent within the Select Board’s power, to the Wentworth Congregational Church to hold a raffle. Seconded by O.Ahern. All voted “yes”, and motion carried.

P.Koelb made a motion to charge doomage rates for timber operation number 18-475-13 due to the late submission of Report of Cut. Seconded by O.Ahern. All voted “yes”, and motion carried.

Board did not sign Intent to Cut for Baker Valley Community Land Trust c/o David Gilbert. L.Franz to check deed for ownership and get further information regarding authorization for Gilbert to act on behalf of trust.

Discussed the recommendation from Avitar to deny an application from Jared King for abatement of Land Use Change Tax. All agreed to deny application. L.Franz will send information to King.

Discussed a Current Use application from Jared King. Avitar recommended some actions, and L.Franz will follow up with King.

Discussed outstanding invoices from Drummond Woodsum. Invoices due from 2019 and 2020 to date total $6,666. We budgeted $8,000 for 2020. Select Board will recommend increasing 2020 budget by $4,000 to ensure there will be funds to cover future expenses.

Discussed the Town’s Purchasing Policy. It was determined that all Department Heads must be in compliance with the Policy or checks may not be signed. Vendors are to be notified of our policies. L.Franz will write letter/notice to vendors and present to Select Board for approval.
F. Muzzey made a motion to adjourn Seconded by P. Koelb. All voted “yes”, and meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Linda Franz
Administrative Assistant

Arnold Scheller
Chairperson

Omer C. Ahern, Jr.
Board Member

Jordan King
Board Member