Town of Alstead Board of Selectmen

The Alstead board of selectmen met in open session on Tuesday March 15. 2016 at the municipal offices. Chris Rietmann called the meeting to order at 6:30. The minutes were read, accepted and approved.

Rock made a motion to nominate Chris Rietmann as chairman, Tim Noonan seconded, motion passed.

Select board received two gravel bids. One from the Fuzzy Brothers and One from Bazin Brothers. After both were reviewed it was determined that Bazin Brothers bid form they were given did not have the accurate gravel size which was needed for the job. All three selectmen agree that Bazin Brother's needed the same opportunity to resubmit their bid with the correct information. Kelly will contact Jeff Marsden from Bazin Brothers and give him the correct bid information.

Department Head, David Crosby explained the Town has a relationship with Garland's but if a new company is in their gravel pit they may need to clear that with Garland's.

Anne Cartwright spoke on behalf of the Silvio O Conte, Article #19 that was passed. She has requested the selectmen sign the letter she provided them. She explained she would like this to go to the legislation in hopes to help the town's land. The selectmen's office would mail it certified to Department of Forest and Lands Attn: to William Carpenter.

Chris would like Class VI roads signs. He will email the exact wording for the signs to Linda and Kelly. David Crosby will see how many roads are involved and how many signs are needed.

The selectmen asked David about his overtime. David explained there is more grading needed this time of year and over time will slow down later in the year.

David Crosby reported he found an equipment trailer that fits his specifications and is priced lower than what was voted on in Article # 12 and it can be delivered. David is planning on going to look at in on Thursday. He asked if payment would be available at the time of delivery. All three selectmen said yes.

David reported he is revisiting the paving quotes. Paving will begin in May. He hasn't received a bid from Bazin Brothers and asked Kelly to contact and ask Jeff Marsden.

Glenn Elsesser asked about testing the hill has volunteer to test the hill at very minimal cost to the town.

Chris spoke on behalf of all three selectmen about having a department head at each selectmen's meeting to review budgets, current projects, upcoming projects, and any other pertinent information for that department. The selectmen would also like the departments to make a list of equipment they have and, when it may need to be replaced, and any capital requirements both large and small. The selectmen would like the planning and zoning to be invited to the selectmen's meetings for quarterly reports. Kelly will contact each department head and set up a schedule. Chris has volunteered to be the liaison for AABC (Alstead Advisory Budget Committee).

The selectmen would like to have monthly budget reviews. Linda suggested it would be best to do this on the first Tuesday of the month. Linda also recommended we start to review the budgets in September this coming year. The selectmen agreed.

Police Chief, Marcello D'Alessandro was present. Chris reported the police lettering has been done but it is not as visible as the selectmen would prefer. Tim Noonan stated the times have changed and he is comfortable with the lettering. Marcello explained he met with his staff, it was brought up by the officers a high visible lettering would offer no ability to be discreet during patrolling. Marcello stated he means no disrespect to the selectmen but he had to make the best decisions for his officers

and their day to day operations. Barbara Viegener asked "are there two separate differences in what people want or is it about the safety of our officers"?

Tim Noonan asked about hiring a Town Administrator. He is against hiring one. Bobbie Wilson spoke up and stated the selectmen should find someone to help Kelly in the office. No further discussion.

Ambulance Department Head, Jesse Moore reported 3 out of the 4 have passed their EMT classes. The ambulance will start paid weekends. He asked about his negative budget line. Linda will looked into this.

Jesse also report he was very concerned about the doors at the fire station. It is a safety issue. Kelly reported she has a copy of Bill Rohdenburg's quotes. Rock asked if she would email him a copy. He will see if he can get others quotes for both doors.

There was discussion about the roadside mowing. We need a RFP to define where and how many miles the mowing will be. The selectmen asked if David Crosby would provide this information and he agreed he would. Jesse Moore stated last year his shrubs and trees were mowed down by the Town. When Jesse asked said he didn't plant in the roadway.

Bobbie Wilson report Vilas Pool Committee members would like 3 credit cards to purchase supplies. The selectmen would like to discuss this next week.

The selectmen discussed next week's agenda items.

Rock made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05, Chris seconded and all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:05.

All three selectmen agreed to go into nonpublic at 8:07 RSA 91 :(A3).