TOWN OF ALSTEAD, NEW HAMPSHIRE Select Board

Approved Minutes for Meeting of April 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Town Hall, 9 Main Street, Alstead, NH 03602

To attend via Google Meet, access code is https://meet.google.com/hnr-zuns-igp
Conference call: (978) 990-5000, access code 539083#

SELECT BOARD PRESENT: Mary Ann Wolf; Joe Levesque; Joel McCarty (in person)

STAFF PRESENT: Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator; Jesse Moore, Ambulance Chief; Steve Murrell, Police Chief

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Ben Duffy-Howard; Mark Mastrocinque; Rich Nalevanko; Marge Noonan; Barb Viegener; Jude Willis (in person)

GUESTS:

While waiting to call the meeting to order Mary Ann asked if anyone would like to volunteer to say the pledge. Mark Mastrocinque led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER: Mary Ann Wolf called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS: Signed bill and payroll manifest; Vilas Pool bill request

OLD BUSINESS: Mary Ann told those at the meeting the payroll manifest in the amount of \$16,453.11 and the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$60,611.17 were signed as well as the Vilas Pool bill request.

Jesse presented a quote from Greg Stone from South Acworth to install a security system at the Fire Station in the amount of \$2,279. Jesse explained that all doors would be covered and that Greg does this work professionally as well as for banks. After much discussion, Steve mentioned that he would like to do some upgrades as well and said it is a good price. Joel stated that perhaps we can reach out to Greg and see if we can get a package deal. He also suggested to find out about a warranty and get some references.

More discussion took place on revising the purchasing policy. Mary Ann had sent the town of Chesterfield's policy to Steve, Prescott and Charlotte for their thoughts. Steve likes it. After much discussion, Steve agreed to work with Mary Ann to rewrite the policy using some of Chesterfield's ideas and review it next week.

NEW BUSINESS: Discussion took place on community activities at town hall such as movie night, yoga, meditation, etc. Gordon stated another option would be to have these events outside at Vilas Pool during the summer. Joel didn't think it was an appropriate role for the Select Board to become the recreation managers of the town. He stated they should respond positively to every request for use that they can and let people know the building is available. Gordon stated that after May 7th much of the COVID mandated information is going to be changed to recommendations and asked if they were going to make these changes as well. Joel's opinion was that unless it is unreasonable, whatever the state guidelines are it should be the same locally.

Mary Ann stated the grill outside town hall needs to be moved. Joe wants the propane line removed from the building. After further inspection by Joel, he stated that there is no propane going through the line now. It was decided that the two small rusty propane tanks would be brought to the transfer station by Mary Ann. Gordon volunteered to move the grill to the kitchen.

Mary Ann is making a list of things that may be able to purchase with the ARPA funds, conference room chairs being one of them. She will call Dartmouth Hitchcock Clinic to find out where they get their furniture as she thinks something like what they have would be good for the conference room.

The Board agreed for Jean Balamuth to have a plant sale at the bandstand May or June on Saturday morning from 8-1.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes of April 13, 2021: On a motion by Joel, seconded by Joe; the Board voted to approve the minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Steve followed up with the ATV problem on Baine Rd. He said he spoke with Jonathan Delisle, Fish and Game Officer who knows the ATV laws. Jonathan was going to keep an eye out for ATVs on that land and put up no motorized vehicles signs to help on the enforcement of it. Jonathan was going to call Harry. Steve told Jonathan if he needs anything from Alstead PD to help in this situation to let him know.

Drug take back day and Earth Day is coming up Saturday, April 24th. Gordon asked for volunteers to stop by Vilas Pool to help with the clean-up efforts.

INFORMATIONAL: Select Board will be meeting April 28, 10:00 a.m. at the Municipal Office for tax deeding.

On a motion by Joe, seconded by Joel; the Board voted to adjourn at 6:55 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Comeans

Charlotte Comeau, Office Administrator

The next Select Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 27, 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall