SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M.

Those present: <u>Selectboard:</u> Michael Hogan, Bernie Shatney, Fred Ducharme and Ted Domey (via phone) <u>Town:</u> Jeff Haslett, Aldo Nunn, Teri Nunn, Aldo Nunn Jenny Gilbert, Richard Gilbert, Marcy Martin, Town Employees: Karen Deasy, Michelle Leclerc, Betty Ritter

- 1. Call Meeting to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mike Hogan.
- 2. Approve Agenda A motion was made by Bernie and seconded by Fred to accept the Agenda. Mike then asked if there were any additions. There were no additions. Motion passed.

3. Approval Minutes of:

- a. January 8, 2019 Special Selectboard Meeting a motion was made to accept the minutes as printed by Bernie, with a second by Fred. Motion passed.
- b. January 15, 2019 Selectboard Meeting a motion was made to accept the minutes as printed by Fred with a second by Bernie. Ted noted that #5 should be the total \$45,000. Motion passed with correction.
- c. January 29, 2019 Special Selectboard Meeting a motion was made to accept the minutes as printed by Fred with a second by Bernie. Motion passed.

4. Public Comment -

- a. Richard Gilbert would like to have something done about fireworks being set off on the Town Common. There were pieces of fireworks on his truck and their front porch. The fireworks were set off on Christmas and New Year's Eve. Richard Gilbert went and talked to Tim Gochey about it. Andy Luce, who issues permits, gave Tim a permit to set them off. Mike said he will take a look at the permit.
- b. Richard would like to have someone talk to Ethan who checks the spring that is on Danville Hill in the mornings. It does not seem safe where he is parking. Karen will speak with him.
- c. Teri Nunn asked the reason was for having Lower Cabot on zoning regs. Karen explained that there is a community meeting on Thursday, February 7, 2019 regarding zoning regulation changes that will be voted on at Town Meeting. We are not making the Lower Cabot another village. Just adding more village zoning. It will be explained more on the Thursday meeting.

5. Water and Waste Water

- a. Insurance Claim Resolution Alliance –The Town received the release for the claims on the Danville Hill water project. Richard and Jenny think that there is something wrong with the fire hydrant because there water pressure is low. Karen said they put in a new pressure reducing valve but will have someone check into their water pressure. Jeff is wondering why he is getting good pressure more than they are (they are two different locations). A motion was mad by Fred and seconded by Bernie to sign off on this. Motion passed.
- b. Closeout waterline project Karen passed out the project closeout. The closeout needs to be done by April 1st. Aldrich and Elliott are working on the first three items on Karen's list with the contractors. On the town's action, #1 has been done and 2 are done, #3 and 4 are being worked on. Warranty items will be worked on in the spring. No action needs to be done by the Selectboard tonight.

6. Road Commissioner

a. Project Schedule – Karen has been talking to Doug Newton on the Porter Road project. He is putting together bid request. Do we want performance and warranty bonds? This would give us more security and the Board agreed that we should have performance and warranty bonds. Mike asked when this will

- be going out to bid. Karen is thinking the end of March or the beginning of April to go out to bid. Karen explained to Jeff about the project of upgrading two culverts on Porter Road. Karen would like the Selectboard to make a decision on prequalifying or take the lowest bidder. Ted thinks that we should have a pre-qualification for this bid request. Mike and Fred agreed.
- b. Road Posting Excess Weight for 2019 Karen handed out a list of Road postings for the year. They have been posted on the Dept. of Motor Vehicles website. The Selectboard needs to sign off on them and they will go in effect in April. Fred moved to approve this list with a second by Bernie. Motion passed.
- c. Winter Parking Hours Karen said Jack wanted this put on the agenda. Our current traffic ordinance states that it is from November 15 to April 15 during the hours of 11:30 pm to 5:00 am. We have signs in locations but no specific times on the signs. The Selectboard would like it to be changed to 9 pm to 6 am. Jenny and Richard don't think that the parking after dark on both sides of the road should be allowed. Karen said we could do temporary signs when there are events in town. Betty said the businesses realized this is a problem and said they will work on making it safer during the events. Karen has ordered the signs. Teri is wondering if there are still people parking there will they be towed. Yes they will be towed. Fred moved to change the overnight parking year- round 9 pm to 6 am. with a second by Ted, motion passed.
- d. Other Business Fred would like to know how we are doing on the sand and salt. Aldo said we have gone thru half the sand and salt keeps coming. Karen said it was a very big week with the snow storm. Marcy Martin, Jeff Haslett and the Selectboard wanted to let the road crew know that they have done a very good job on this pass storm. Thank you road crew.

7. Town Clerk

- a. Orders Done
- b. Tickets for Parking Violation Betty and the town attorney have worked on a ticket form. Betty discussed the tickets that will be issued for parking violators. It will cost approximately \$65 per booklet to be printed. It was suggested that those that would have the authority to issue the tickets would be Aldo, the Town Constable, Selectboard, Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk. A motion was made by Bernie and seconded by Fred to accept the use of tickets for parking violations and all the individuals listed above to issue the tickets. Motion passed.
- c. Other Business Betty received an email regarding support for potential legislation for an increase of \$.04 tax on fuel and diesel. Betty read the email. Mike thinks we need to talk about this more before the board makes a decision. Mike will talk about this with Rep. Kitty Toll. Mike would like to look at the wording and where the monies will be going with this. Ted thinks that the price is so low. No action taken.
- d. The post cards have gone out for the town reports. The reports should be here by February 18. The office is closed on Monday, February 18 for President's Day. The school will not be part of the town report. The school will mail their report to the voters.
- 8. Other Business-Town Meeting Review/Schedule of upcoming meetings Betty handed out a list of all the meetings for February and March. Mike reviewed the list. Mike would like to add that Betty and Michelle make sure that any individuals or committees connected to an Australian Ballot article be at the town meeting to speak at that article if guestions arise.
- 9. Adjourn A motion was made by Fred and seconded by Bernie to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed and the Selectboard adjourned at 6:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Ritter, Town Clerk/Treasurer