

SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES

November 14, 2016

PRESENT: Board of Selectmen: Scott Littlefield, Dan Gay, Jarod Harriman;
Treasurer/Selectmen Clerk Angela Cushman, CEO Jim Roberts, Tax Collector Yvonne Shaw, Town Clerk Vicki Rochefort, Road Commissioner Mike Souliere

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Debbie Bridges, MMA Health Insurance

ADMINISTRATIVE:

*Selectman Scott Littlefield declared the meeting at 6:08 PM.
Selectmen approved Selectmen minutes.
Selectmen approved agenda.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

N/A

APPOINTMENTS:

N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Roads. Mike Souliere, Road Commissioner, will remove a couple of trees including the stumps on Steele Rd. Last week Steve Blake, BH2M, met with Jim Roberts and Angela Cushman to go over the options for the culvert on Buzzell Rd. Steve met with DEP this morning to go over the options and will connect with Jim soon on the outcome.
2. Salt Barn/Expenses. The concrete work has been completed at the salt shed. The Selectmen reviewed the YTD expenses related to the upgrades to the salt barn.
3. Fire Commission. A quarterly Fire Chief report and protocol for communications were provided to the Selectmen.
4. Steele Rd. Dan Gay will connect with Scott McDonald to layout the turnaround. Jarod Harriman to connect with Fairpoint for the possibility of moving a pole.
5. Discontinued Rd. No update at this time.
6. Audit Report & Meeting. A final copy of the report was provided to the Selectmen. The Auditors will present to the Selectmen and School Board Angela Cushman communicated that the financial statements have been adjusted to reflect 50% ownership of assets of GMFR. Selectmen were ok to finalize the audit.
7. Time Warner. The town is working with Time Warner to see about the possibility of expanding service to some roads that currently do not have service. The town identified residents on Company Rd., Anderson Rd., Buzzell Rd. and New County Rd that may not have service. Time Warner conducted a survey of these residents and not many surveys were returned. The Selectmen would like to connect with

Time Warner to see if a copy of the survey could be obtained and mailed out under the Town's letterhead in hopes of getting a better response.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. MMA Health Insurance. Debbie Bridges, MMA Health, was present to talk about the upcoming changes to the health insurance plans, the price increases and the possibility of funding a HRA (health reimbursement account). Debbie provided documentation that showed that implementing a HRA would not save the town any money. The only ways for the town to save money would be to select a plan with a lower cost or to have the employees contribute to the cost of the plan. After discussion it was decided that the current plan, POS-200, would remain in place. Debbie also informed the group that dental and vision plans could also be offered with 100% of the cost being covered by the employee. The town also has the option to allow elected and appointed officials to participate in the health insurance plans or benefit plans with 100% paid by the official. A letter would need to be sent to MMA indicating that town would like to offer these options and enrollment forms would need to be in to MMA by December 15th.
2. Printers for Motor Vehicle upgrade. The State of Maine Motor Vehicles has made changes to some of the forms that will require the printing of these forms to a laser printer. The office staff has requested approval to purchase new printers for this upgrade. After discussion of possible printers and costs, the decision was made to contact our current provider of printers and servicing to determine the best pricing.
3. Budget 2017-2018. There are two contracts, snowplowing & waste management, that will need to be addressed for the next budget. The Selectmen will hold a workshop in January to begin discussions.
4. Holiday schedule. The Selectmen approved December 26th and January 2nd as holidays for the employees.

PUBLIC FORUM:

No public comment.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter to the Selectmen
2. 12 Town Group email
3. School Board minutes
4. Health insurance notice
5. Tour de Cure

SIGNED:

1. 11/17/16, 11/07/16 A/P Warrant
2. 11/17/16 P/Y Warrant
3. Selectmen minutes 10/24/16, 11/01/16
4. Request for time off
5. Federal Land letters

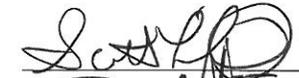
OUTSTANDING ITEMS:

1. Town Land – Jim obtaining information
2. Contractor requirements – Angela working on.
3. W/C & health insurance – Angela still awaiting information.
4. Snowplow contract – list of trucks

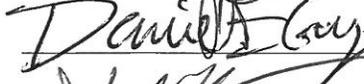
ADJOURNMENT:

Dan Gay made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:32 PM; 2nd Jarod Harriman.
Passed 3/0.

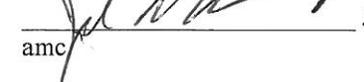
*Minutes may not be verbatim they may have been paraphrased for clarity.



Scott Littlefield, Chair



Daniel Gay



Jarod Harriman

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