

TOWN OF JEFFERSON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
January 25, 2016

The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Jefferson was held at the Selectmen Office Monday January 25, 2016 at 6:30 pm

PRESENT: Kevin Meehan, and Tom Brady, members comprising a quorum of the Board.

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Cushman, Assistant to Selectmen; Mark Dubois

Kevin Meehan opened the regular meeting at 7:00 pm. The Board reviewed and approved the bills for payment next week. The Highway and Transfer Station report was reviewed. The warrants were signed. Terri Larcomb was in to pickup signed warrants and sign checks.

Tom Brady made a motion to accept the January 11, 2016 minutes of the Selectmen Meeting as presented. Kevin seconded the motion, the motion carries.

The North Country Fire Mutual Aid agreement for 2016 was signed.

Mark Dubois reported on the Highway Dept. The roads are in good shape, as is the sand supply. Mark said that he had a call from Central Paving asking what the Town was doing for sidewalk repair. Central has been asked to give a quote to NCC for paving. The Selectmen said that in talking with NCC it was just a question as to whether there was any grant money that could be applied for to do the sidewalks. There is nothing at this time being planned.

Tom asked Mark if the purchase of a backhoe would be pursued this year. Mark said that it could wait until 2017. The Capital Improvement Plan was discussed with regards to the highway equipment. It was stated that when purchasing the excavator it was thought that the excavator would replace the need of a backhoe. There had been some discussion to the purchase of a loader, however it is believed that a backhoe would be more useful. The purchase of highway equipment was discussed as to how it related to the schedule on the CIP.

The winter maintenance of the building entrances was discussed. In the past Jimmey Howland has done the shoveling. He is not able to do it this year. Neil Rideout will do the work for \$20 an hour. Mark said that he and Mike could do it, however he is not sure of being able to get to the Library before it opens if there is a heavy storm that is keeping them on the road. After some discussion the Selectmen decided that for now Mark and Mike will try to do the entrances. If it becomes a problem something else will have to be done.

It was decided that at this time Jefferson would not join the NH Public Works Mutual Aid. It is felt that Jefferson does not have the equipment or manpower to participate in the group at this time.

St Paul's Episcopal Church has asked for a donation to support the food "backpack" program at the Jefferson School. There are twelve students that receive "backpacks" for the period of 40 weeks that school is in session. Linda was asked to find if the twelve student were Jefferson residents.

The purposed budget and warrant to be presented at the hearing on February 8th was reviewed.

February 1, 2016 Josephine Belville of DRA will be in to meet with the Selectmen to review the 2016 property revaluation procedures. She will also introduce the new area inspector.

The budget hearing will be held February 8, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

The next meeting will be February 1, 2016, at 6:30 pm.

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kevin seconded the motion, motion carries.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,