Town of Jefferson

Select Board Meeting

November 18, 2024

Jefferson Community Center

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Select Board Chair Terri Larcomb, Selectman Kevin Meehan, Selectman Norman Brown, David Passios, and Amanda Simino present.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

**Public Input:** David Passios- Update on Charter Cut Bridge, he walked the area with the local Conservation Commission, NH Wetlands, Portland Pipeline, and two other property owners. Discussed different avenues to help with the embankments and flow of the river. He has been looking into Connecticut River Conservancy to possibly help fund the repair of the bridge, however, their funding is 3-5 years out. Selectman Norman Brown asked where the bridge was located. David Passios stated that it is on his property. Selectman Norman Brown asked why he couldn't dismantle the bridge. David said that it was an option but nothing he was looking to do.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve the Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes as written from November 11, 2024. Selectman Norman Brown seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve the Payroll for November 11 & 18, 2024. Selectman Norman Brown seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve the Accounts Payable for November 11 & 18, 2024. Selectman Norman Brown seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

**Normandeau Trucking Transfer Station Hauling Proposal-** Amanda presented the Normandeau Trucking Proposal for the hauling at the Transfer Station. She stated that it is a 5-year proposal and prices are as follows:

A. MSW, C&D, Recyclables Rate Schedule - Single Load to Mt. Carberry or AVRRDD

- 1/1/25 12/31/25: \$535.00
- 1/1/26 12/31/26: \$555.00
- 1/1/27 12/31/27: \$575.00
- 1/1/28 12/31/28: \$595.00
- 1/1/29 12/31/29: \$615.00

### B. Extra Containers if needed

## **Delivery**

- 1st year: \$250.00 Rental: \$6.50 per day \$185.00 per month
- 2nd year: \$258.75 Rental: \$6.75 per day \$191.50 per month
- 3rd year: \$268.00 Rental: \$7.00 per day \$199.00 per month
- 4th year: \$277.00 Rental: \$7.25 per day \$206.00 per month
- 5th year: \$287.00 Rental: \$7.50 per day \$214.00 per month

## C. Fuel Surcharge per trip

# \$4.00 per gallon will be the trigger price

# \$1.70 added per \$.05 increase in price per gallon

- \$4.00 = \$8.50 per trip
- \$4.05 = \$10.20 per trip
- \$4.10 = \$11.90 per trip
- \$4.15 = \$13.60 per trip
- \$4.20 = \$15.30 per trip
- \$4.25 = \$17.00 per trip
- \$4.30 = \$18.70 per trip
- \$4.35 = \$20.40 per trip

#### D. "Freeze-ins" and "stick-ins"

• After 45 minutes on the landfill weight slip will be assessed at \$120.00 hourly in ½ hour increments.

Amanda stated it is a big increase from Beattie even the first year. She asked Selectman Norman Brown if he had any luck with contacting Great Northwoods in Berlin. He stated that he has left a couple of messages but when he does make contact, he will give him the office info to contact Amanda to move forward with a proposal. The Select Board agreed to hold off with Normandeau's proposal for now. Selectman Norman Brown stated that if the town cannot get another proposal to only enter a 1-year contract with Normandeau Trucking and not commit to a 5-year contract.

Heartwood 6th & 7th grade use of field out back- Amanda stated that she was contacted by Heartwood Public Charter School to see if the town would allow their 6th & 7th graders to come down and use the field out back where they don't have a field on their property. The use would be every other Monday until snow is on the ground from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. The Select Board decided that it wasn't a public event, it would be just for their school that they would charge \$100 per day they use where when they are using it the public wouldn't be able to use it. Amanda stated she would let them know.

Public Bid for Town Clerk, Tax, & Assessing Office- Select Board Chair Terri Larcomb wanted to discuss changing the Town Clerk, Tax, & Assessing Office where it was always meant to be temporary. She stated that the employees and residents have complained to her about the set-up, especially the Town Clerk window. Selectman Kevin Meehan and Selectman Norman Brown where not aware that there were any complaints from anyone. It was decided to have Linda Cushman and Jen Kenison come to a meeting to discuss what they would like so that it is what they want and that the town only needs to do it once.

Belle Hunt Road Properties Update- Amanda stated that she followed up Nicholas regarding the other owner Matthew on the deed prior to the Town taking the properties by tax deed. Nicholas provided court documents regarding the Will that had the properties in it showing ownership of the Belle Hunt properties. Nicholas stated that Matthew no longer wants anything to do with the properties, all will provide anything needed to remove him so that Nicholas can move forward with the properties.

The Select Board asked that Amanda reach out to Laura the Town's attorney to get some guidance on what should be done with moving forward with both Belle Hunt properties.

Joy McCorkhill Grant proposal- Joy is working on getting a grant for the library to comply with ADA. She stated that the Historical Society agreed to be a partner where the monies will benefit the Jefferson Community Center (JCC). She is wondering if the Town would be a partner as well due to the improvements to the JCC. She is working towards the elderly population of the town so some of the items that can be purchased through the grant would be wheelchairs and walkers. The Select Board doesn't mind being a partner as long as legally the town can be. They would like Amanda to reach out to Laura the Town's attorney and Tim the Town's auditor.

#### Other Business:

- Reviewed and initialed Unpaid Bills for November 25, 2024
- Reviewed and initialed Deposit's & GL's for October 29, November 6 & 13, 2024
- Reviewed and initialed General Fund October 2024 Statement
- Reviewed and initialed ICS October 2024 Statement

- Reviewed, motioned, and signed building permit for Scott Hall. Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve the building permit for Scott Hall to have a 38' RV located at 205 Whipple Road. Selectman Norman Brown seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.
- Reviewed, motioned, and signed building permit for Marcus Manning Jr. Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve the building permit for Marcus Manning Jr to have a 10'x24' storage container located at 158 Israels River Road. Selectman Norman Brown seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.
- Reviewed e-mail from White Mt. Attractions requesting the town put their survey on tourism on the Town's website for residents to take. The Select Board is okay with Amanda putting the link on the Town's website.
- Reviewed, motioned, and signed building permit for Craig Thibeault. Selectman Kevin Meehan made a motion to approve the building permit for Craig Thibeault to construct a 14'x22' addition to his garage located at 35 Ingerson Road. Selectman Norman Brown seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.
- Reviewed application for Transfer Station. The Select Board would like Amanda to reach out to Nick Kenison to see if he could come in for the December 2, 2024, meeting for an interview.

Selectman Norman Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Selectman Kevin Meehan seconded the motion, and with no further discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Next Select Board Meeting Budget Workshop is scheduled for Monday November 25, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Amanda Simino

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