

Waterford Board of Selectmen

Monday October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Davies Memorial Library & ZOOM

7:30 PM

Minutes

Meeting Called to Order: Gary called the meeting to order at 7:33 PM.

Members in Attendance: Gary Allard, Bill Piper, and Fred Saar

Others in Attendance: Bill Willis, Kevin Gillander, David Morrison, Marcia Martel, Mike Keach, Lisle Houghton, Kim Willey, Steve Eddy, and Abigail Bernier

Modification to Agenda:

Approval of Minutes — August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020, September 01<sup>st</sup>, and September 14<sup>th</sup>: Gary motioned to approve the minutes. Bill seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Budget Report: A couple errors occurred in the budget after adding a few things.

Citizens' Concerns

- David Morrison: Dave questioned if elected officials were subject of executive session. Gary told him that any discussion of elected officials was to be in open session.
- Sandy Lyon Cemetery Update: Sandy couldn't make it to the meeting. Gary is still waiting to hear from Mr. Weaver.
- Horowitz Letter Update: Fred had not had the chance to get out to Roberta's property since the last meeting.

Town Board Representative — Listers: The Listers got an email from Great River Hydro to sit down and talk about a contract.

Highway

- Replacement Truck Update: It will cost \$21,000 - \$23,000 depending on how you go with loans and such, and it wouldn't get here until next spring. Fred motioned to buy a replacement truck. Bill seconded the motion; all were in favor.
- Gate Update: Fred stated that he believed the gate is now working.
- Water Truck Update: Steve reported that an invoice had been paid and the truck has been inspected.
- Other

Old Business

- Broadband Update: Bill had no update on broadband.

- Black River Design Update: In 2019 the Town engaged Black River Design to develop plans and costs for a conceptual Town Office. The layout of the office was based on input from the Town Clerk and the Town Treasurer with additional comments from the Selectboard. Black River Design created a cost estimate, a schedule of information and alternatives, and elevations and floor plans. The Selectboard performed a preliminary review of the final report and decided to delay additional consideration due to COVID-19.
- Lower Waterford Church Update: At the request of the Trustees of the Lower Waterford Church the Town applied for a USDA Rural Development Grant. An application submitted to USDA in 2019 was not approved, and the 2020 application requested grant funds to determine the requirements to bring the Church up to current codes for adaptive re-use. The stated objective was to make improvements to the building so tenants could rent space, and the rent could be used to maintain the building. Black River Design performed the architectural work for the project and engaged electrical, mechanical, and civil engineers to evaluate specific requirements of code compliance. The final report was delivered on October 9<sup>th</sup> and the Town is preparing a transmittal letter to the Trustees. With the completion of the transmittal letter the Town's involvement is complete with the exception of USDA quarterly and final grant reporting.
- Personnel Policies Update: The selectmen scheduled a special meeting for Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, at 8:00 AM at the library.
- Water Issues at Fire Department & Town Garage:

#### New Business

- Thomas Eyman Driveway Permit: Fred motioned to approve and sign Thomas Eyman's driveway permit. Bill seconded the motion; all were in favor.
- EMS Contract Extension: Fred motioned to approve and sign the EMS contract for one year with no changes. Bill seconded the motion; all were in favor.

#### Other

Adjournment: Bill motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Fred seconded the motion; all were in favor.