

TOWN OF LANGDON
APPROVED SELECT BOARD MINUTES
January 24, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Devin Gallagher

Present: Devin Gallagher, Lou Beam, Nate Chaffee

The Minute of the Meeting of January 10th were accepted unanimously. (Nate/Lou 3-0)

Visitors: Greg Chaffee, Tom Stremper & Todd Porter

Greg Chaffee, Fire Chief and **Tom Stremper** came to the meeting to discuss a need that found after going to the fire on Main Street in Alstead in 0-degree conditions. They need to replace some gauges and valves on Engine 1 as well as the CO2 meter and hoses which sprung leaks at the fire. They brought quotes for all the items as well as installation costs. It was decided the best way to get these items done next year was to put a warrant article on the ballot for spending up to \$6,000 on the items.

Todd Porter, Road Agent came to discuss the budget for the Highway Department. There have been significant price increases on items that Langdon needs to purchase, ie salt and shop supplies. Last year the budget was \$204,600.00 and this year will be \$222,750.00. The Selectmen and Todd went down through each item. There will be three warrant articles. One for paving Walker Hill for \$125,000.00. One for \$5,000 for stock piling gravel, and one for \$75,000 to replace the dump body on the 2011 International Truck. There were discussions on all of the above.

Old Business:

- 1.** Status of Broadband – They are hooking people up.
- 2.** Update on FEMA – Had the meeting with the State and Feds on December 15th. They have 60 days to get everything in and Virginia is hoping to have everything in by the end of the year. Virginia is still getting the information in to FEMA.- Virginia reported that she is working with FEMA to get everything uploaded. Todd has gotten her the information. Lou will check in with Virginia to see how it is coming.
- 3.** Deputy Town Clerk – Lou found out that if they were to get another Town Clerk Deputy, they would have to be trained in Concord so maybe they should wait until after the first of the year – Talked to Diane about finding out when Katie could get the course and told her how to get in touch with Katie Comeau.
- 4.** New Copier and scanner and off-site storage – We will be getting a quote soon on the copier and scanner and off-site storage – Will get in touch with them again.
- 5.** GOFERR/ARPA funds - Linda and Devin listened to CivicPlus on how to update the website on Wednesday but are going to ask if there is a video that they can have to go by. ARPA grant of \$50,000 for Rescue Truck submitted – Received email asking for info. Will be getting back to them on Wednesday-Got email saying that we would be getting the grant.
- 7.** Highway Department 2nd man discussion of 11-8-21 – Received letter from Kevin Beal in regards to the position and since he's already committed to working in the concrete field and mowing lawns this coming summer, he isn't interested until next winter-will consider next year.
- 8.** Discussion on Cemetery Trust Fund monies being put towards Capital improvements of the Cemetery. As per the discussion with Doug Beach above-Per Doug they did vote to take the money out at their meeting.

9. Update on Hemlock and Meany Roads. Charlestown Selectmen were going to close both roads but after evaluation, they decided to post Meany Road for weight limit and leave Hemlock as is. Todd has been putting rock on the bad parts of Hemlock Road-Hemlock Road traffic has decreased because Crane Brook Road is now open to traffic.

10. Lou brought up that there would have to be a Public Hearing on the Master Plan as well as the proposed Planning Board amendments- Consensus was to have it before the Budget Hearing in February. The Planning Board will also have some updates to the building code and Zoning for the warrant which will be going to the Lawyers to make sure they are worded correctly Planning Board hearing will be on January 31st at 6:00 pm before the Selectmen's meeting.

11. Todd's budget was discussed as well as warrant articles for the Highway Department – Per above discussions.

12. Devin had met with Griffin Construction and had come up with a bid proposal to be put out to repaint the Baker Building. It will go in the paper and the bids will be due on February 7th to be opened at the Selectmen's Meeting and then they will put an article in the warrant-No one showed up on Monday to see what they would be quoting on but Devin stated that Griffith Construction would be bidding.

New Business:

- 1.** Sign Orders
- 2.** Sign Payroll

Nate made the motion to adjourn at 9:45 pm. (Lou/Nate 3-0)

Respectfully submitted by Linda Christie