

TOWN OF LANGDON

APPROVED SELECTBOARD MINUTES

January 13th, 2020

7:01 Meeting called to Order by Chairman Lou Beam.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented with the correction of School Board to School District for table top exercise. (Devin, Nate).

Lou Beam reviewed the Town Calendar.

January 17th Community Club 1-3

January 20th Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday- No meeting and offices closed

January 21st Planning Board Meeting at 7pm

January 21st Supervisors of the Checklist 7-8pm

January 27th Selectboard Meeting at 7pm

Recognition of Visitors:

The Board recognized Todd Porter, Road Agent. The Board asked Todd to put together where the unexpected overages were for 2019 so the Board could explain during the Budget Hearing. Todd mentioned that mud season had cost \$9200 on its own. The Board also mentioned that they would need that from Steve as well. The Board asked Todd to let them know in advance of any big purchases. Todd mentioned that he had purchased the 96 yards of sand from JP because they were still screening. He said he could skip uncovering the pile he already had and mix the new easily with salt. The convenience saved time and money. He said he had budgeted for the sand and just purchased it earlier than usual. Todd discussed how his stockpiles were; he had used 28 ton of salt during the last storm and 180 yards of sand; he has also used two sets of chains. Todd said he has ordered another set of chains and he currently does have the cutting blades for the season. He has experienced mud issues over the last week on Tory, Hemlock, Ball and Winch Hill and has been working on them. The Board thanked Todd.

Old Business:

1. Devin updated the Board on his table top exercise he attended with the School *District*. The exercise was on crisis management. He said it was well attended by over 100 people from the State, local Police, Fire, Emergency Management and School Officials.

New Business:

1. The Board reviewed the 2020 budget. They noted adding the culverts to the Holden Hill Paving Project, also the \$7400 from the State to be allocated to the purchase of sand, salt and gravel would have to be a warrant article. The Board discussed getting an update on the Capital Reserve Funds. The Board discussed the purchase of new trucks for the Highway Department and the Fire Department. Devin mentioned asking what the insurance cost change would be for the new Highway Truck. The Board reviewed the timeline mandated by the State for the budgeting process. The Board decided to have a budget working session on the 20th since the meeting was canceled for the Federal Holiday. The Board also discussed a warrant article from the Police Chief. The Board thought it too early to start but noted that he could petition if he wanted.

2. Lou brought up that Charlestown has been allowed to withdraw by the State. The vote will now go to the voters of each town in the SAU. Lou mentioned that Charlestown is behind in their school taxes by 1.8 million soon to add on another 600,000. They said they had withheld money because of a discrepancy in the ADA count State and School.

3. Lou also brought up the SAU has contacted the Fairness in Funding. They plan on attending a presentation in Marlow, that is already in the process of setting up.

4. The Board decided to have a Public Budget Hearing on February 10th at 6:00pm. .

5. The Board reviewed and signed Orders.

8:36 Move to Adjourn. (Nate, Devin)

Respectfully submitted by Jessica Jarvis