

TOWN OF LANGDON
UNAPPROVED SELECT BOARD MINUTES

March 8, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair, Nate Chaffee

Present: Nate Chaffee, Devin Gallagher, Lou Beam

The minutes from the March 1st board meeting were accepted as written. (Devin-Lou) 3-0. Town Calendar was reviewed, it was noted the Selectboard will not meet on Monday, March 15.

The Board had a discussion of a request from Jonathan Delisle to purchase a sign for the Police Department that records driver speed as they pass. Jonathan told the Board that he could cover the cost within his current budget. The Board felt it needs to be a capitol purchase approved by a warrant article with a Town vote. It was noted that the current speed monitoring sign is owned jointly with Alstead and not in working condition. Rodney Campbell has agreed to rewire and repair current sign, but the sign is not in Langdon, may be at the Alstead PD, Lou will check. Jonathan was not present for the discussion.

Bob told the Board that there were currently two applications for the administrative assistant position. The Board decided to interview them on March 22nd, one at 6:30 p.m. and one at 7:00 p.m.

Old Business:

1. Board signed assessing contract with Comerford, Nieder, Perkins. The Board had signed this contract on Feb. 8 but it was misplaced.
2. The Board discussed Town Meeting. It was noted that voting starts at 10 am and Lou had set up the voting room earlier in the day.
3. The Board reviewed the Town Warrant. It was agreed that:

Nate and John Revilla will speak about article 2; Lou will speak about article 3; Devin will speak about article 4; Nate will speak about article 5; Nate will speak about article 6; Lou and Dennis McClary will speak about article 7; Devin and Todd Porter will speak about articles 8 and 9; and Nate and Todd Porter will speak about article 10.

Nate told the Board that he would bring up the issue of Police coverage under article 12 and indicate that the Board would be forming a committee to review options for the Town Police Department moving forward.

Devin asked that the Broadband Committee be recognized during Town Meeting for all their effort this year.

New Business:

1. Board signed two intents to cut, Bancroft and Wood properties. The Logs being cut on the Bancroft property will be donated for and used in the restoration of Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. The cutting will be filmed by Handhouse Studio and the Board will abate the tax on these logs.
2. Hot Water heater in the highway garage is leaking, Board agreed to have the road agent replace it.
3. It was noted that the Food Shelf Electricity use needs to be checked at the end of March. Bob will check with Jim Fenn to see if the Town Bills the School District for rent or if they pay it automatically.
4. Bob will arrange for the pumping of the Municipal Building/Fire Station septic tanks.

The Board had a discussion about the recent Department of Labor inspection. Report has not been received. Devin is working on a checklist of things to do: including joint loss committee, keeping better records of pressure vessel inspections, updating employee handbook, etc. Amanda Chaffee has offered to help with the process. The Town Attorney should review the employee handbook when complete.

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The possibility of changing our Town Attorney was discussed. Bob will approach the law firm that included Bernie Waugh at one time as they specialize in municipal law.

Planning Board has not made a decision about whether Hubbard Farms need a special exception for their current expansion/construction project. The Selectboard questions if a special exception is necessary, as Hubbards has been in business in Langdon for almost fifty years and is an agricultural operation.

Bob will call All Service in Charlestown to service printer in office and to check about possibility of replacing copier.

At 8:15 p.m., Lou made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Devin (3-0)

Respectfully submitted by

Robert Cunniff