

## Select Board Minutes: February 16, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chair Donald Burke. Present were Select Board members Marlene Libby, Scott Wiley and Donald Burke. Also present were Road Commissioner Curtis Starrett, John Fenner, Jen Pendleton, Lorie Costigan, Paul Gagnon and Dwight Collins.

Minutes of the February 9, 2016 meeting were accepted as corrected.

### **Road Commissioner:**

Starrett presented a new driveway entrance application/permit form for review. The current rainstorm and drainage on Rte 131 was discussed. A sample complaint form was presented by Burke to record citizen complaints about roads, plowing & sanding or any other issues. Ron Gibson stated that the winter maintenance contractor is using a single axle one-ton truck in violation of the contract. The contract was reviewed and states that 'No vehicle can be less than a one (1) ton dual wheel truck...' Wiley will speak with the contractor. Gibson also felt the Town would be responsible if the contractor is not paying workers compensation and the Town would end up paying double. Gibson also thought the contractor should be paying state wages while plowing state roads (Rte 131 & 105). The Select Board made no determination pertaining to his opinions on workers compensation and state wages. A letter to the MDOT will be sent asking for consultation between the Town and State on remedies for drainage problems in Appleton Village on RTE 131.

### **Select Board:**

There will be a special meeting of the Select Board on Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5:00 PM to meet with Assessors' Agent Rob Duplisea to discuss personal property assessment.

Warrants # 63, 64 & 65 were signed.

An application for a \$650,000 bond through the Maine Bond Bank for school renovations was received and must be completed by February 24<sup>th</sup> which is the Bond Bank's deadline. The Town Treasurer, School Principal & Superintendent are all on vacation so the application will not be prepared until next week.

Four upcoming vacancies on the Budget Committee will be posted in March so that there will be no vacancies at the time of budget committee meetings in April.

Patrick Costigan is unable to serve on the Town Administrator Research Committee. Lorie Costigan was appointed to a one-year position.

There will be no Select Board meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> due to the Special Town Meeting. Burke will post the closure.

Lorie Costigan questioned if the town reports could be mailed out to citizens. The Town does not have a mailing permit for bulk mailing. Burke and Wiley both recalled the hours and fuel involved in delivering the reports door-to-door for non-profits. Lorie suggested that the AVS 8<sup>th</sup> grade might be interested as a fundraiser. Burke emphasized that the reports cannot be placed in mailboxes.

The Board discussed having the Fire Department include in their budget funds for utilizing the town office custodian for cleaning services and having the meeting room floor waxed & buffed when the Town Office floor is done in the spring.

As there was no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Prepared by D. Burke