Selectmen’s Meeting Minutes 09-01-2020

Selectmen Present: Raymond Poulin, Wayne Rundlett, Andrea Reichert

Present: Stacie Rundlett, Brian Rundlett, Kip Poulin, Marilyn Gorman, Judi Wills, Joseph James, Garret and Valerie Oswald, Michael Caron

 1. Call the meeting to order-Andrea called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

 2. Review Minutes from previous meeting- Raymond motioned to accept the minutes as written, Wayne 2nd and all were in favor.

 3. Old Business- There was none

 4. Department Heads-

 Kip updated the board on the installation of the new washer and dryer purchased with grant funds. There was a discussion regarding the departments SAM registration and if it should be renewed. Kip voiced to the board that he didn’t think they should renew again. Kip discussed with the board the possibility of having a savings account for funds for turnout gear. It was discussed that each set costs quite a bit and if there was a savings account to keep adding funds to until it is necessary to purchase more it would be less of a burden at said time.

 5. Items by the Public- There was a lengthy discussion with all in attendance regarding the increase in taxes this year. It was thoroughly explained that the school budget increased, the county budget increased and why the municipal budget increased. Also, that this year there were no funds from surplus to use to keep the mil rate down. As well as there was no Tree Growth reimbursement amount added to the formula this year because the State of Maine wasn’t sure if municipalities would get any reimbursement this year for their program. The public voiced their concern on the municipals spending and many of them said they would get more involved in town functions.

 6. Items by the Town Manager-

 a. The board reviewed and signed payroll and accounts payable warrants

 b. The board reviewed and signed the Treasurer’s Reports for July

 c. Stacie shared with the board that the town was getting ready to send out 40 foreclosure notices for non-payment of 2018 taxes.

 d. Stacie presented to the board a request for a community garden from a local resident. It was decided that it would be best to have this person present at a meeting to obtain more information about the proposed project. Stacie would try to get them to an upcoming meeting.

 7. Items by the Board of Selectmen-

 a. The board of selectmen reviewed and signed the commitment paperwork for 2020 taxes.

b. The board had a discussion regarding the steel door for the Sand Salt Shed. The building needed a man door, and Raymond stated that he would research the cost of this door. Stacie informed the door that she had been waiting on Overhead Door Company to give her a list of other things that needed to be done to the building before they could install the large overhead door. She stated that she would reach out to them again so this part of the project could be completed.

 c. There was a brief discussion regarding the bridge in the east and it was stated that no one had heard from D.O.T. in quite some time.

 Adjourn the meeting- 7:31 pm

*These minutes were approved at the September 21st meeting by the Board of Selectmen. smr*