

## SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

August 7, 2017

Present: Jim Trudell, Bruce Beane, Steve Moscicki, Donna Clark-AA, Celine Presby-Treasurer, Tom Smith-Road Agent

Chairman Trudell called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

### **Manifests & Invoices:**

The manifests for July 31<sup>st</sup> and Aug 7<sup>th</sup> were authorized and new invoices for future payment were reviewed and initialed.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's Report was read showing a balance of \$156,312.69 in the WGSB checking account, \$10,346.18 in the WGSB Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) account and \$300,000 in the tax anticipation note (TAN). Moscicki motioned to approve the Treasurer's report as given, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beane, all voted in favor.

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Minutes for July 24<sup>th</sup> were reviewed. Moscicki motioned to approve the minutes as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beane, all voted in favor.

### **Committee/Department Reports & Needs:**

Road Agent Tom Smith met with the Board to discuss the status of the Mountain Meadows Road Bridge replacement project. Soon after the old red-listed bridge was removed, excessive summer rains disrupted the planned two-week installation as the increased amount of water flowing through the brook could not be diverted with conventional methods and locally available equipment. Representatives of Winterset Inc, a bridge construction company located in Lyndonville, VT, were asked to visit the site to determine what could be done to get the new concrete bridge installed in a timely manner. The Board and Tom reviewed Winterset's \$77,000 proposal and agreed it was the best option to keep the project moving forward. Since the additional cost may exceed the amount of the budget approved at Town meeting, the Board will follow the procedure to request an emergency overexpenditure from the NH Dept of Revenue Administration. A public meeting will be held on Aug 14<sup>th</sup> to formally vote to make the request. A public hearing will also be held on Aug 28<sup>th</sup> to accept \$41,973 in additional Highway Block Grant Funds as authorized by the passage of Senate Bill 38 which will be used for the bridge. Signs will be posted informing drivers that completion of the project will likely be delayed for another 30 days. The Selectmen are sorry for the further inconvenience to those who are being detoured because of the road closure.

### **Correspondence:**

The following were received:

- NHMA Final 2017 Session Legislative Bulletin
- UNH Transfer Technology Center Fall 2017 Training Calendar
- FEMA offering a train-the-trainer class for its citizens' preparedness program

- Thank you from Ammonoosuc Community Health Services for 2017 appropriation
- July 2017 A Safer Road to Tomorrow newsletter
- Grafton County 2018 Fiscal Year Budget

**Old Business:**

Beane reported on the July 25<sup>th</sup> Granite State Power Link (GSPL) community meeting that he and Clark attended in Haverhill. All local residents were notified of the meeting by postcard. The information was presented in a self-guided tour format and GSPL had several representatives on hand to answer questions. It appears the project will have minimal additional impact along its existing .8 mile corridor through Lyman, and there is a potential for significant additional annual tax revenue. \* Plans for the Aug 19<sup>th</sup> Summer Social were finalized. \* Beane, Clark and two Planning Board members will attend a NH DRA Excavation and Timber Tax mini-course on Aug 15<sup>th</sup> in Lancaster. \* The Town received the final 2016 audit report and letter of governance from Plodzik & Sanderson. \* The Board chose not to take part in the 2017 Census of Governments Survey of Public Employment & Payroll but the Town will participate in all 2020 Census preparations.

**New Business:**

A notice was received from the NH Dept of Transportation showing Lyman's estimated Highway Block Grant amount for fiscal year 2018 is \$85,034 which is \$760 higher than 2017. \* Clark is taking part in an MS-1 Summary Inventory of Valuation Form interface web portal training on Aug 8<sup>th</sup>. \* Clark will arrange for furnace cleanings as Stiles Fuels is offering a special early bird price. \* The Selectmen will contact Town Counsel about preparing an eviction notice for a recently tax deeded parcel with a building on it.

Moscicki motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beane, all voted in favor.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Aug 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 pm.

Approved:

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