

DPW Commissioners Meeting

January 8, 2018

Meeting opened at 5:30 p.m., at Town Hall DPW Office

Present: Paul Whitman, Ben Bastinelli, Gene Fulmine, Jr., Scott Glauben, Sabrina Chilcott, and Robert Penniman.

New Business: Sabrina Chilcott presented the Municipal Lawn Volunteer Maintenance Contract for DPW Commissions to review. Discussion ensued regarding three (3) pieces of property that are town owned and currently maintained by the DPW. Board of Selectman Matthew Furlong suggested having landscape companies will to donate to maintain these properties and being allowed to place a sign in an approved location advertising the maintenance of property. Zoning enforcement officer George Verry would also have to approve the sign to be placed on town property. The three (3) location chosen are Friends Meeting House, Route 53 Fire House and Bethel Chapel. DPW would like to have an insurance clause inserted in the agreement stated the company would provide proof of insurance and workers compensation and the Town would not assume any liability. Some discussion of having a monetary value predetermined for tax deduction. Chilcott suggested the DPW have legal counsel review the document also. Whitman suggested having changes made and submit to Fulmine and will forward to DPW Commissioners.

Robert Penniman in to discuss the possibility of doing a land swap of property that abuts Andruck Property. A sketch was provided by Penniman of proposed land. The town needs to have a 450' buffer to proposed well site. Some questions came up about how to do this legally. Will have Doug Bailey look into the dollar value of the swap. Bastinelli requested to put a place holder in the town meeting as this will need to go before residents for approval.

Payroll and Warrants signed. Whitman made motion to accept November 6, 2017 minutes and seconded by Bastinelli. Both in favor

Storm Water Contract Renewal: Whitman made motion to move forward on renewal, seconded by Bastinelli.

New Equipment Needs: Quotes provided for new dump truck for water division, new dump truck for cemetery division and a new Kubota for cemetery division. Money will not be coming from the general fund for these vehicles. Discussion ensued on the current state of fleet vehicles.

Water Rates and 10 year Master Plan: Fulmine will need to update prices on projects and then board will need to prioritize which projects to do. Will then need to figure if rates need to go up. Bastinelli questioned why rates should go up if demand is down. Whitman responded with to fund projects needing updates. Fulmine said the water main project in the Tall Pines has been put off for so long that the price has gone up a half a million from the original price. Also Fulmine stated that he will be sitting with Accountant to figure out which debts will be coming off. Rates may not need to be adjusted.

Discussion on New Facility: Accountant has requested no one put in for new buildings at the annual town meeting. Would like to concentrate on the overall budget and possible operational override. Capital projects are under discussion at the meetings that Bastinelli was selected to represent DPW. Five (5) proposed building are being discussed at this time. Everything is fair game and BOS has requested a master plan be proposed and the funding needed. Basically DPW will not be getting a new facility. DPW should plan on getting a new price a salt shed. Cement wall with fabric top. Large enough to back tractor trailer into and dump salt. Will get prices from Mark at the Mass DOT. The old structure would have to come down and put in that spot and beside it. Reviewed the salt building proposed by architect and discussion ensued. Will also check with Hanover and get their size and prices.

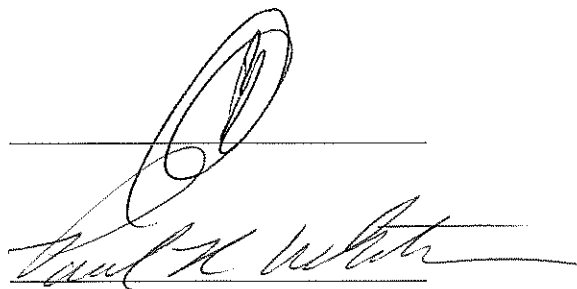
Next meeting to be held on January 22, 2018.

Motion made by Whitman and seconded by Bastinelli to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Campbell

DPW Assistant To

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