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Selectmen Meeting Minutes
November 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by John Blanchard.

Selectmen Present: John Blanchard, Jessica Brusseau

Public Present: Maynard Farr, PJ Blanchard, Jonathan Blake

1. Approve Minutes. Jessica moved and John seconded to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2019 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Public input.

- a. Maynard Farr questioned why all of the donations that were approved at the Town Meeting in March had not been paid. Diane stated there are 4 donation requests that have not been paid: Good Shepherd Food Pantry (\$788), Barnet Sr Meals (\$1000), Ammonoosuc Community Health (\$600) and White Mountain Mental Health (\$1075). Maynard stated he had heard the entities had to send in a request for the money to be paid. After discussion, the decision was made to pay the entities.

Jessica moved to pay the 4 agencies the funds approved to them at Town Meeting as noted above. John seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

- b. Jonathan Blake stated he had several items to request:

- i. Town Hall Usage – Jonathan stated he has submitted a form for usage of the Town Hall as an alternate location for Model Airplane Flying (small foam models). Jonathan explained the size of the planes and that the planes are foam

type. The Selectmen decided to approve and usage on a trial basis. A copy of the liability insurance certificate will be provided to the Town.

- ii. Jonathan also stated he is president of the Snowmobilers Club in Monroe. They are trying to be able to support the Monroe Storey and would like to have the ability to bring snow machines from Doug Gibson's field on Plains Road, along the side of the road to the Yield sign on Plans Road, cross Route 135 and then end at the apartment house across from the store. They would like to use the crossing permit that was done a number of years and is still in place to cross Route 135. The route would need to be clearly marked.

Maynard noted it would also need to be clearly marked that the trail does not continue down the hill and over the bridge as the trail is no longer open across the bridge.

Jessica moved to allow the use of the existing State permitted crossing of Route 135 from Plains Road. John seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Diane will contact the State Police to let them know of this change.

- iii. Jonathan questioned how to request a donation for the Snowmobilers Club as grant money is rarely available to this area. Diane stated send in a letter requesting funds to be used by the Club and it will be considered at Town Meeting.

3. Building Permit for Pierce Atwoods – Substation at 450 Dam Road. Diane stated they have requested to postpone this until the December 3, 2019 meeting.
4. Consideration of tax abatements for Veterans credits for 2 parcels. This will be postponed until the December 3, 2019 meeting.
5. Update on skating rink items. John stated he spoke to Electrician Ray Flint who suggested putting in an electric heater and lights that are activated through motion detectors. John also stated he recommends holding off on a liner until we work on leveling and resurfacing the rink itself. John further suggested building a skate friendly walkway from the shack to the rink and to put rubber over the cover the banking for the bank where the walkway crosses. Jess moved to spend no more than \$1500 to put in electrical heater, lights and walkway for the skating rink. John seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The rink will be leveled and resurfaced in the future.
6. Items approved:
 - a. Accounts Payable Manifest (2)
 - b. Payroll Manifest
 - c. Forms: Working through Lunch Break, Times Sheets (2)
 - d. Contracts for Use of Monroe Town Hall (2)
7. Non-Public Session – this is postponed until December 3, 2019 meeting

8. Diane reviewed several items:
 - a. Jennifer forwarded an email regarding permitting for expansion of the Bethlehem Landfill by Casella. The determination was made that Monroe would not be affected by this so we had no comments.
 - b. Diane states she is slowly getting the requested information in from the Fire Department. She also noted she had received the roster to provide for the State. Jessica questioned the bylaws in terms of determination of several things.

Maynard Farr mentioned the need to get information from the EMTs as well. He further noted we need to get more people on the Fast Squad.

Diane stated she will get the request for information out to the other employees. She will also place an advertisement on the website and Facebook page that we are looking for EMTs.
9. John stated he is looking at security gates for the recycling/sand or salt problems at the Municipal Building but they may cause issues for the Fire Department. Further discussion needs to happen.

Jessica moved to adjourn the meeting and John seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane L. Gibson Smith
Administrative Assistant